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Up Front

An elderly Venice couple is staying with family members after losing their home, their car and all their personal possessions in a fire Sept. 24. Friends and neighbors held a benefit for Willie and Angy-neller Glasper as an investigation into the cause of the blaze continues.

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How safe are those school buses your kids ride every day? Do drivers have enough training, and are the vehicles themselves mechanically sound? Authorities are taking a look in the wake of several recent accidents.

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Sports

The East St. Louis Flyers didn't let the threat of a possible teachers strike bother them much Friday. They scored in the game's first 37 seconds and kept going as they beat the Warriors 63-6 at Parsons Field. Bob Thomas hit Eric Lewis with a touchdown pass with eight seconds left to spoil the shutout.

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The Tournament of Champions is coming to Granite City this week. The nation's premier high school soccer tournament, now in its ninth year, will once again be a fix for soccer junkies.

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People

Animals, vegetables and a dog named Homer are all part of the fun at Relleke Farm's fourth annual Holiday Harvest. The festivities are part of a fund-raiser to benefit area children through local relief agencies. Andy Siering tells all about it.

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Red Skelton remains active 19 years after his famed television show. Skelton was in Cape Girardeau recently, where he wowed the crowd at Southeast Missouri State University. Bob Sauer reviews the show and talks to the red-haired firecracker himself.

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Deaths

Lawrence Ray Bloomquist
Daniel J. Pieper
Marjorie C. (Brewer) Roach
Alta Mae (Jameson) Wantland

25 years ago

Thursday, Oct. 1, 1964

Following a 33-minute debate, the Granite City Council voted 11-5 to give Mayor Leonard Davis full authority to name all members a chairman of the council's standing committees.

Hot tip

Brown Center made for walkin'

The Granite City Park District is again offering the use of the Brown Recreation Center for walking in the morning and afternoon. The morning session will be from 8 until 8:45 a.m. and the afternoon session will be from 2:15 until 4 p.m.

The program is for Park District residents and is free of charge. For more information, call the Wilson Park Office, 877-9059.

Dioxin may have caused child's rash

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — Eight-year-old Darrell Hammel's mother discovered Wednesday evening the dirt was playing in — and which he may have swallowed — was listed as contaminated with dioxin by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency.

"I made him quit, but he'd been out there a while," Kathy Hammel said. "Then he started itching and by this morning his whole body was covered with a rash."

Doctors at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City treated Darrell Hammel Thursday morning, giving him Benadryl, an antihistamine, to stop the itching.

"The doctor said he was very allergic to whatever caused the rash," Hammel said.

Hammel said she and her son, who live in Madison, were visiting a friend in the 2200 block of Missouri Avenue, near the Jennison-Wright lumber treatment plant. The IEPA says the plant and the area surrounding it, are listed as dioxin-contaminated areas.

But the agency said the dioxins are not of the "Times Beach" variety and present no immediate health risk to the residents.

Leslie Morrow, an IEPA environmental toxicologist who is familiar with the contamination in and around Jennison-Wright, said Friday that the rash is consistent with symptoms that could be expected from contact with the contaminants at the site. "But not with the quantities we found there," Morrow said. "I would guess that, if it was caused by the contaminants, it was a hypersensitive reaction."

Morrow said a rash would usually result because of skin contact with dirt containing the contaminants, not of having eaten the dirt.

"Generally, a rash like that would result after extended contact — having it on your hands and not washing them for several hours," he said. "This sounds like the child has a severe allergy to whatever it is."

The IEPA is looking into the incident and is expected to soon analyze soil samples collected from the site.

Hammel said the doctors at St. Elizabeth didn't suggest Darrell return for a follow-up visit. The doctors told her their laboratory was not capable of performing tests to determine what caused the rash.

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Liquor controversy appears brewing before city council

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — A package liquor controversy appears to be brewing for the next City Council meeting.

The council's Downtown Committee has proposed establishing a new class of package liquor license for stores that have annual gross sales of general merchandise, excluding gasoline, exceeding \$500,000.

The new-style license, called a Class BB, would be available in unlimited numbers and issued, as are the current classes of licenses, by the mayor.

Class A, by-the-drink licenses, and Class B, package liquor licenses, would remain unchanged. Stores now holding Class B licenses who would qualify for a Class BB license would change to Class BB upon renewal.

Committee Chairman Jim Miller, 2nd Ward Alderman, outlined the proposal, made by Economic Development Director Alan Orbital, in a memorandum to the aldermen dated Sept. 20.

Florida drug bust includes local pair

FORT MYERS, Fla. — Two Granite Citizens face felony drug charges after their arrest Sept. 15 in a seedy, notorious drug neighborhood of this south Florida coastal town.

They allegedly bought \$20 worth of crack cocaine from an undercover police officer.

Eugene L. Herren, 53, and Theresa L. Anderson, 37, both of the same address in the 4400 block of Ameski Road, got caught in a "reverse sting operation," said Det. Phil McDonald of the Fort Myers Police Special Operations Division.

The two were videotaped buying the drug, and Herren's 1985 Chevy Suburban van was confiscated, McDonald said.

The couple had been staying in a trailer park in Naples, Fla., 30 miles away, McDonald said. He said the section of Fort Myers where they were arrested is known for drugs.

"You don't go to this part of Fort Myers if you're on vacation," he said. "It's a dump."

Dean Plattner, an intake attorney in the Lee County State's Attorney's office, said his office had not decided yet on the final charges.

Plattner said Anderson, who allegedly made the actual purchase, will probably be charged with purchase of cocaine — a second-degree felony that

up to 10, including the chief. Two of the officers are 30-hour part-time.

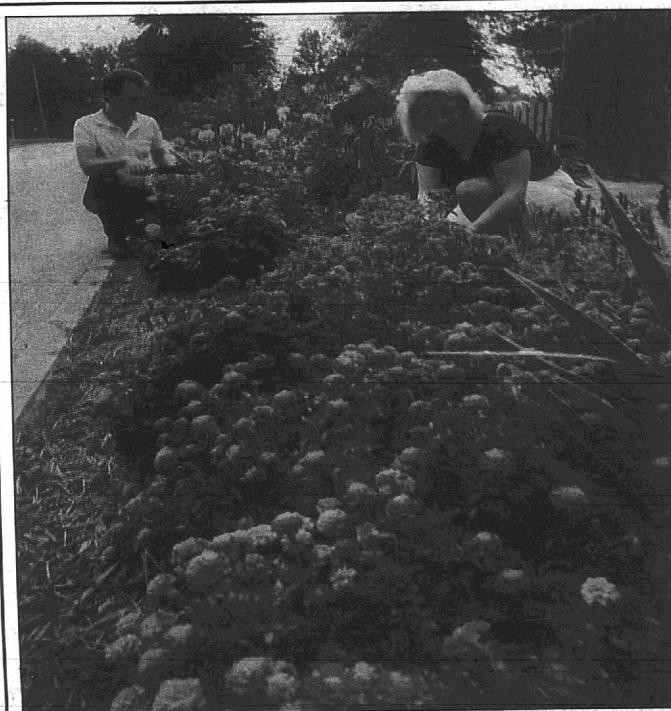
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SEA OF MARIGOLDS: Gary and Julie Guika tend their seasonal garden at their house on 24th and Benton streets in Granite City. The Guika's flower garden on the Benton side of the house has been catching the eye of motorists all year — they have planted a carefully chosen variety of flowers in order to ensure there is something in bloom throughout the year.

(Staff photo by Patrick Foley)

Another steel pact ratified

GRANITE CITY — By more than a 4-1 margin, Local 50 of the International Chemical Workers union averted a strike Thursday by ratifying a three-year contract with Granite City Steel. The vote was 39-7.

The contract contained an incentive plan based on man-hours and tons of steel produced, said Local 50 president Jerry Siner. He said the incentive plan was a victory for the chemical workers, because it is the first in the history of the union at the mill.

The chemical workers represent about 700 workers at the mill.

The steelworkers' union has had an incentive plan for many years.

"(The contract has) got some bad points to it," Siner said. "We didn't care for the craft combinations, but that was one of the things we had to accept."

Welders were combined with ironworkers, millwrights, pipefitters and electricians, Siner said.

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Venice mayor worried police racial balance upset

By Andy Siering
Staff writer

VENICE — The Venice Police Department will be back up to full strength in a couple of months, after three probationary patrolmen hired this week finish a 10-week course at the police academy in Springfield.

But all three of the men are white, and Mayor Tyrone Echols is worried about the "psychological" impact on the predominantly black community. Echols made the remarks during the City Council meeting Sept. 26.

The hiring will bring the number of policemen

up to 10, including the chief. Two of the officers are 30-hour part-time.

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John Henry Williams. "If black folks can't pass the test, what are we going to do?"

Echols, Williams and all other members of the city council are black.

Venice has a hard time keeping policemen, due to low pay. The starting salary for a probationary patrolman is only \$10,530 a year, said Chief Farris Smith.

The council then voted to hire the three white applicants. They are Donald W. Wallace, John W. Adams III and David T. Medley.

The three are scheduled to start Dec. 18.

Crime-related bills signed by governor

Gov. James R. Thompson signed legislation that allows victims of sexual assault and sexual abuse to file civil suits against those who produce or distribute obscene materials that it was later determined "caused" a person to commit a crime.

"This legislation allows grandparents, from their grandchildren, to petition the courts for visitation privileges. It will be up to a judge to decide if the visitation petition is in the best interest of the grandchildren."

House Bill 359 is effective immediately.

House Bill 4 gives preference to seniors aged 70 or older in setting court trial dates. The law is effective Jan. 1, 1990.

Senate Bill 508 requires judges to consider the age of a crime victim and the condition of the victim's health when ruling on a motion to delay trial proceedings. It is effective Jan. 1, 1990.

The governor also signed three bills dealing with satanic and ritualistic crimes, all effective Jan. 1.

House Bill 182 creates the new criminal offense of "Ritualistic Mutilation."

Persons who mutilate, torture or dismember another person as part of a ritual would be guilty of a Class 2 felony.

House Bill 1834 defines "ritual brutality" and makes it an aggravating factor in felony sentencing proceedings.

House Bill 1833 was signed with changes. It creates the new offenses of "Inducement to Commit Suicide" which carries a Class 2 felony penalty and "Aggravated Battery with a Firearm" which would be a Class X offense.

The measure also provides that weapons possessed by a juvenile shall be confiscated and disposed of by the court, even if they were owned by the youth's parent or guardian.

Senate Bill 1029 provides that a person convicted of a sexual assault offense, attempted sexual assault or a person institutionalized as a sexually dangerous person shall be required to submit specimens of blood and saliva to the Illinois State Police.

It is effective July 1, 1990.

"This legislation is a major first step in providing Illinois with the opportunity to be the first state with an operating 'DNA/Genetic Marker' forensic program," Thompson said.

"Currently, the only government agency with DNA capability is the FBI lab in Washington, D.C."

In addition, Thompson signed the following bills:

House Bill 1859 is an anti-gang bill. It toughens penalties for certain felonies if they were gang-related and provides that a minor, 15 to 16 years of age, shall be tried as an adult if the minor committed a felony as part of gang activity.

It is effective Jan. 1.

Senate Bill 687 allows the Secretary of State to suspend or revoke a driver's license or persons convicted of possessing any amount of cannabis or any controlled substance while operating a motor vehicle.

House Bill 749 allows a judge to restrict the driving privileges of a person, under age 18, who has been found delinquent because of alcohol or drug use.

House Bill 2312 makes it an offense for any public employee to bring contraband into any penal institution and increases the penalties for bringing drugs into a prison, effective Jan. 1, 1990.

House Bill 1757 is a "Bill of Rights for Children." It guarantees a parent the right to address the court on the impact of the crime on a child-victim during the sentencing of persons convicted of victimizing children, effective Jan. 1, 1990.

Senate Bill 1210 grants the Illinois State Police the power to deny or revoke a Firearms Owners' I.D. card to any person whose mental condition poses a "clear and present danger" to himself or another person or to the community. It becomes effective Jan. 1, 1990.

Senate Bill 1213 makes it easier for a judge to ascertain whether a child has been abused or neglected. It becomes effective Jan. 1, 1990.

House Bill 938 reduces the license fees for wine-makers producing limited quantities of wine. It becomes effective Jan. 1, 1990.

Illinois honors crime prevention efforts in area

State officials recently honored seven organizations and individuals who have made significant contributions to preventing crime in southern Illinois.

The seven were presented with Governor's Awards for Outstanding Achievement in Community Crime Prevention at the conclusion of a day-long seminar on drugs and crime prevention sponsored by the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority.

Authority Executive Director J. David Coldren and Fairview Heights Police Chief Roger Richards, a member of the Authority, presented the awards for southern Illinois to:

- The Sesser Police Department, which won the law enforcement agency award.
- Under the leadership of Chief Paul Carlson, the police department has instituted several crime prevention programs in the last few years, with an emphasis on senior citizens and young people. Thirty programs have coincided with a sharp drop in the number of reported index crimes in the Franklin County community, from 54 in 1984 to nine in 1988.
- The Alton, Mount Vernon and

Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville police departments, as well as the Illinois State Police Gang Crimes Unit-Zone 11 and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers-St. Louis District, received honorable mention awards in this category.

•Accurate Message Center of Mount Vernon, which received the business award. Since 1985, Accurate Message Center has donated its services to the Jefferson County CrimeStoppers program by answering its telephones after regular business hours and on holidays. So far, the message center has answered more than 350 calls, including 118 in 1988 (compared to 104 received by the Mount Vernon Police Department during regular business hours). With Accurate's assistance, the CrimeStoppers program has led to the recovery of nearly \$133,000 in merchandise and the seizure of \$66,000 in narcotics.

The Illinois-American Water Company of Belleville received an honorable mention.

•WCEP-TV, Channel 13, in Kell, which won the news media award. Each week the station airs its "Crime of the Week" and encourages viewers to call

the local CrimeStoppers program with information. The station also reports aggressively on crime prevention activities, and it regularly plays McGruff's public service announcements.

•Senior Services Plus, Inc., of Alton, which received the award for civic organizations. Formerly the Madison County Senior Services Center, this organization helped the Alton Police Department create two safety programs for senior citizens. The organization hosts monthly "Operation Senior" meetings, and its volunteers routinely check up on senior citizens who live alone, offering them conversation and crime prevention information.

•Williamson County Sheriff Harry Spiller, who was presented the individual award for paid professionals. Spiller regularly gives presentations about drug abuse and crime prevention to school children, including economic disadvantaged students in a special summer job-training program, and he personally gives young people tours of the sheriff's office and courtrooms. School officials estimate he has reached approximately two-thirds of the 15,000 children

in Williamson County schools.

•Sue Doolen of Mount Vernon, who received the award for individual volunteers. In 1982, as president of the Mount Vernon Business and Professional Women's Club, Doolen helped create the area's Neighborhood Watch program. In 1988, as chair of the club's Neighborhood Watch Committee, she organized nine new Neighborhood Watch groups, bringing the total number in the Mount Vernon area to 36. Doolen also coordinates Mount Vernon's Neighborhood Watch Week, and she served as president of the local CrimeStoppers program in 1988.

•The Alton Police Department, whose Operation Senior program was recognized in the exemplary program category. Since April 1988, Alton police officers have been visiting various senior citizen groups each month to provide information and tips on how to avoid becoming a crime victim. Fraud and con games, personal safety, how to report suspicious activity and self-defense are some of the topics that have been covered. Officers also use the program to promote Neighborhood Watch and Window Watch, in which senior citizens

in apartment complexes are encouraged to watch for and report suspicious activity.

Three other Alton Police Department programs mentioned in this category: Latchkey Children, Neighborhood Watch and Victim Assistance.

This is the fourth year the authority is presenting the Governor's crime prevention awards to organizations and individuals throughout the state. The agency solicited nominations earlier this year, and winners were chosen by an independent advisory committee.

Approximately 100 law enforcement officials, community leaders, drug education and treatment experts, and citizens from throughout southern Illinois attended the day-long seminar, which was held in the Collinsville Holiday Inn. The theme of the program was "Drugs and Crime Prevention: Looking to the '90s."

In his keynote address, Coldren, the authority's executive director, called on individual communities to follow President Bush's lead and develop their own comprehensive drug control strategies.

"Federal and state strategies are important," Coldren said. "But it is local communities, and the people within those communities, who know the drug problems in their areas best. And it is local communities, and the people within those communities, who know the best strategies for addressing those problems," he said.

Coldren said the number of adults arrested for drug crimes in Illinois could nearly double by the year 2000, putting additional strains on an already burdened criminal justice system.

"The criminal justice costs of waging the war on drugs in Illinois will be in the hundreds of millions of dollars over the next five years. But the social costs of not waging that war would be even greater," Coldren said in citing increased costs related to lost productivity, the breakdown of families, educational failures and crime.

Explaining the state's current efforts to address drug abuse and crime were representatives of the Illinois State Police, the Illinois Department of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse and the State Board of Education.

Police seek information

MADISON — Police are seeking information about a traffic death that happened Sept. 23. An East St. Louis man was struck once and possibly twice on Illinois Route 283 north of Harrison Street.

Chief Charlie Bridick said Harry Grant Smith, 38, may have been hit by more than one car. Bridick said a Glen Carbon woman told police Smith stepped out in front of her car.

The woman then drove to a pay phone to call police. While she was gone from the scene, a second car apparently hit Smith, who had been seen wandering in the area earlier.

The second car, which would have been heading north on Route 203, kept going, Bridick said.

"I doubt any charges would be filed," Bridick said. "We just want to conclude our investigation."

Simon would have prisoners take drug tests before parole

By Edward T. Hearn
Staff writer

WASHINGTON — Attempting to put his own stamp on the newly declared "War on Drugs," U.S. Sen. Paul Simon has proposed that federal prisoners undergo drug testing before being released into society.

In recently introduced legislation, the Illinois Democrat called for randomly administered urinalysis tests on inmates facing early release. Prisoners who fail would have to finish the unexpired portions of their terms.

"This bill will probably pass. I think most people would agree with it," said Simon spokesman Pam Huey, adding that the bill could be folded into larger drug legislation.

The Simon bill, referred to the Senate Judiciary Committee, likely would not clash with constitutional protections within the Bill of Rights, a spokesman for the American Civil Liberties Union said.

"These people are already under a lot of restrictions. I don't think we would have any major objections to drug testing. We certainly wouldn't

go to court over it," ACLU spokesman Loren Siegel said.

Simon, in a prepared statement, claimed many of the nation's 26,000 federal prisoners now eligible for parole use illegal drugs and could reenter society as addicts and prime candidates for future conviction.

Simon pointed to statistics showing that more than half the federal prison population was sentenced for drug-related crimes and that drug convicts were the fastest growing segment of the prison population.

The tests — one given before release and two following — would cost about \$7 each and would be used to detect drug addicts who could then be directed into drug rehabilitation programs, Simon said.

"Today, being drug-free is not a condition for release, and no testing is required to determine whether soon-to-be-released prisoners are using illegal substances," the Simon statement said.

The Federal Bureau of Prisons has data showing that 45 percent of all federal parolees become repeat offenders, the Simon statement said, adding that current law requires no testing for drug use.

DUIs

Arrest follows collision

Connie J. Taylor, 35, of the 1300 block of Edwardsville Road, was arrested at 1:25 a.m. Sept. 25 and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol following an accident on Edwardsville Road at 13th Street, Elizabeth N. Stark, 21, of the 2700 block of Sunset Drive, reported she was driving north on Edwardsville Road when the car driven by Stark pulled into her path from 13th Street.

They collided and the force of the collision reportedly carried Taylor's car into a parked car. Both women were reported injured and police took Taylor to St. Elizabeth Medical Center for treatment prior to taking her to the police station for processing. Taylor was also charged with failure to yield at an intersection. Bail was set at \$102 cash.

charged with driving under the influence of alcohol following two accidents in the 2500 block of Edwardsville Road.

Grammer was reportedly driving east on 13th Street when his car sign and three trees. He allegedly pulled back onto the street and continued driving east until he struck the rear of a parked car. He was injured in the second collision and taken by Granite City ambulance to St. Elizabeth Medical Center for treatment. Grammer was also charged with two counts of failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident, improper lane usage and leaving the scene of an accident property damage.

Man hits three trees

Ricky R. Grammer, 30, of the 2800 block of Roosevelt Street, was arrested at 3:37 a.m. Sept. 24 and



Correction

Robert Hubert, 48, of the 1300 block of Carr Street, who police said was attacked by John James Nolan, 25, of the same address, as reported in the Sept. 28 Press-Record, said Nolan is not his brother, as reported in the newspaper and the police report. Nolan was charged with battery and released after paying \$102 cash bail.

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Granite City

Stereo cassette gone
An AM-FM stereo cassette player was stolen from a car parked on the lot at RAM Auto Sales, 2320 Nameoki Road, it was reported Monday by Mark Richardson. Another auto also was entered and an equalizer was taken. Gasoline was siphoned from six other cars parked on the lot.

Says food stamps stolen
Food stamps valued at \$82 were stolen from the purse of Ruth Davault of the 200 block of Madison Avenue, she reported Sept. 8. The purse was at her home when the theft occurred, she said.

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Briefly

IP site of registration

Illinois Power will help citizens beat the Oct. 10 deadline for registering to vote by providing voter registration services on Thursday and Friday, Oct. 5 and 6.

Certified registrars from the Madison County Clerk's office will be available from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. both days. Illinois Power's office is located at the corner of Niedringhaus and Delmar.

YMCA has pom pon class

The Tri-City Area YMCA will offer a class in pom pons on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5 p.m., beginning Tuesday, Oct. 3. Children 6- to 15-years-old will learn pom routines from April Druhe, a Granite City High School Pom Squad member.

The class will last for four weeks. For further information, call 876-7200.

Imperial dance at Y

The Tri-City Area YMCA will offer an imperial dance class, beginning Friday, Oct. 6. The class will meet Friday evenings at 7:15 for seven weeks.

Gary Schulze will instruct the class, which is for couples only. For further information, call 876-7200.

Alzheimers get support

On the first Tuesday of each month at 9 a.m., Vaughn Home Health Care and Services Inc., sponsors an Alzheimers Support Group meeting at its office at 203 E. Ferguson in Wood River. There is no charge for this meeting, it is held to provide family and friends of Alzheimers victims the opportunity to exchange experiences, information and feeling with others who are also coping with the disease.

For more information, call 254-7300.

Dinner benefits palsy

United Cerebral Palsy of Southwestern Illinois is offering a mystery dinner, "C.A.S.H.," a World War II spoof, on Thursday, Oct. 5, at Our Lady of the Snows Shrine, Belleville.

The evening begins at 6:30 p.m. with cocktail hour and a silent auction. The cost is \$37.50 per person which includes drinks, prime rib dinner and entertainment.

All proceeds from the dinner theatre will benefit programs and services of United Cerebral Palsy of Southwestern Illinois.

Call 1-233-0210. Tickets must be purchased in advance.

Byron announces candidacy

Nicholas G. Byron, circuit judge of Madison County, has announced he is a candidate for re-election, to fill the vacancy of the Horace L. Calvo, now Supreme Court justice of the State of Illinois.

The Supreme Court of Illinois appointed Byron to the vacancy in February 1989. Byron must run for this office in the 1990 primary and general election.

Byron is seeking the Democratic nomination. Byron said he believes that his record in office as circuit judge and, previously, as associate judge for eight years and state's attorney for two terms makes him the most qualified candidate for this office.

Byron, 59, is married and has five children. He resides in Edwardsville.

Discipline workshop set

As the number of working mothers increases, numerous school-age children are spending significant amounts of time in after-school programs and family day-care homes. While child care providers have usually received training on guidance and discipline techniques for young children, many feel unprepared for working with older children.

The discipline problems encountered with older children are different. Elementary-age children are especially likely to resist adult authority. Name-calling and swearing are also more common among older children. And while both preschool and elementary-school children are sometimes prone to fighting, hitting is more serious in older children because of their greater size and strength.

To help child-care providers deal more effectively with 5- to 12-year olds, the University of Illinois Cooperative Extension Service is offering a workshop titled, "Guidance and Discipline of School-Age Children" from 7 to 9 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 9, in the auditorium at 200 Hillboro, Edwardsville. The workshop will be conducted via the University of Illinois Teleconferencing system by Dr. Christine M. Todd, extension specialist in child development in cooperation with Janet Burnett, certified home economist.

Topics to be covered include: factors in the environment that lead to discipline problems, establishing and enforcing rules, effective ways to deal with problems such as hitting, swearing and "talking back" to adults, and communication techniques for working with older children and their parents.

The cost of the workshop is \$5. Participants must register by Monday, Oct. 2. Enrollment is limited so early registration is advised. To register, or for more information, call 656-8400.

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Benefit held after couple loses home

By Valerie Evenden
Staff writer

VENICE — An elderly couple is staying with family members after losing their home, their car and all their personal possessions in a fire Sept. 24.

A benefit program to assist Willie and Angyneller Glasper was held yesterday at the New Salem Missionary Baptist Church in Venice.

"Willie and Angyneller Glasper had been living on Kerr Island at 210 Bremen Ave. for 44 years," said the Rev. John Henry Williams of New Salem Church.

"They have been married for 62 years and everything they had was destroyed in the fire," Williams said.

"But thank God for their lives," the couple's pastor said.

Glasper is 83 and his wife is 82. Neither was injured in the fire.

Both are members of New Salem Church.

Mrs. Glasper is president of the Its Mother's Board, Williams said.

"We hope all their friends will come to the benefit and show their love for Willie and Angyneller," Williams said.

The couple needs household furnishings, clothing or anything

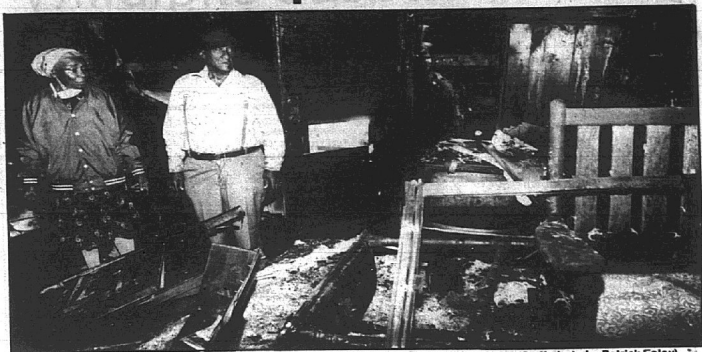
else that people are willing to donate, including monetary gifts, the pastor said.

The fire that destroyed the Glasper home apparently started

in the garage and spread to the house. An investigation into the origin of the blaze is continuing.

Persons willing to donate items who were unable to attend

the benefit program are being who wish to make a contribution asked to contact Williams at 452-5124 or 452-3157, or Ruby Johnson at 451-2483.



IN THE RUINS of their house on Kerr Island that was completely destroyed by fire, Willie and Angyneller Glasper look at the all that remains after 44 years of living there.

Local school districts study bus safety

By Loretta Shea Kline
Staff writer

National attention has been focused recently on school bus safety in the wake of several serious accidents, including one in Texas last week that killed 20 high school students.

Illinois law requires school bus drivers to obtain a special permit along with a 12-hour initial training course, said Ted Randall, educational consultant for the Illinois State Board of Education. The drivers must also complete a minimum two-hour refresher course before reapplying for the permit, which expires after a year.

The requirements have been law since 1973, Randall said.

"It's been a real boon to us," he said. "And it helps us have a higher caliber of driver in Illinois."

Illinois law also requires schools to teach safe riding practices, including evacuation drills, twice a year.

Cherie Crowe, director of community education for the Safety Council of Greater St. Louis, said school bus safety records nationally are good.

"In terms of miles driven, the safety record is very commendable," Crowe said. "Getting on a bus, Crowe said. Getting on and off buses presents a safety hazard if a child steps into the path of the bus and the driver cannot see the child, she said."

There were 32 accidents involving school buses in Madison County during 1988. No one was killed, but 10 people suffered injuries as a result of those accidents. The accidents occurred in Granite City and one in Venice, both involving property damage but no injuries. There were no school bus accidents

reported in Madison in 1988. In all of Illinois last year, one child died after being struck by a school bus, said Karen McGee of the Illinois Department of Transportation.

Last school year in Missouri, one child died in a school bus accident, Bellinger said. The year before, four children were killed as a result of accidents in the loading zone; of those fatalities, three occurred when children were hit by buses and one when the child was struck by a motorist.

Ensuring the safety of children in loading zones is a problem, officials said. A child may drop a paper, go to retrieve it and be out of the driver's view.

"That (the loading zone) is our biggest problem here in Illinois, and we're not much different than other states in that regard," said Larry Wort, chief of the Bureau of Safety Programs for the Illinois transportation department.

Some school districts in Illinois installed crossing arms on buses over the summer, and transportation officials will be watching to see if the devices help solve the problem, Wort said.

The arm is fastened to the right front bumper and extends about six feet, Wort said. When children are getting on or off the bus the arm is extended to keep them from stepping in front.

Electronic sensors which function like radar are also on the market, although none have been installed in Illinois, Wort said. The sensor is supposed to detect a child near the bus and give a warning signal to the driver.

Wort said he would like to see more testing of the equipment before it is used on school buses. He said the sensors are expensive and could give the driver a false sense of security.

Costello joins fuels caucus

U.S. Rep. Jerry Costello has joined the Congressional Alcohol Fuels Caucus, a group of predominantly Midwestern legislators promoting the use of agricultural-based products to increase the nation's domestic fuel supply.

"This caucus is important to rural America, because it promotes the assets of our agricultural community," Costello said. "By increasing demand for farm products, we can boost farm income and improve the farm economy."

During this session of Congress, the caucus has focused on increasing the use of ethanol, a grain-based alcohol that uses large amounts of surplus Illinois corn. In the past decade, U.S. ethanol production has increased from 10 million to 800 million gallons.

"Alcohol fuels improve air quality by reducing carbon monoxide emissions and greater use of fuels like ethanol could allow areas like southwestern Illinois to meet higher clean air standards," Costello said.

Costello also pointed to using more alcohol fuels as a way to increase the U.S. domestic fuel supply, thereby reducing dependence on foreign crude oil.

"Congress will be considering the Clean Air Act later this session, and our group will be closely involved in efforts to use alcohol fuels as an environmentally-safe way to reduce carbon monoxide emissions from automobiles," Costello said. "It's a logical way to help American farmers and benefit the environment at the same time."

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Medicaid eases eligibility

SPRINGFIELD — More persons needing help paying their medical bills now qualify for Medicaid under a new policy announced by Public Aid Director Susan S. Suter.

"This new policy helps people who have enough money to meet their daily needs but are faced with financial problems due to unforeseen medical expenses," Suter said. "Individuals involved do not receive welfare but qualify for Medicaid under our spend-down program."

The spend-down program is called such because it enables persons with excess resources to receive Medicaid benefits, provided they first "spend" the amount of excess resources they have "down" to the point where the department no longer considers their resources excessive.

Individuals with excess assets do not actually have to get rid of them to qualify for Medicaid under the spend-down program. Persons must simply show their caseworker that they owe or

'Many people who have more assets than old regulations allowed still need help paying their medical bills.'

— Susan S. Suter

have paid medical debts equal to the amount of excess assets they have. The individuals then become eligible for Medicaid for other medical debts.

The amount persons must spend-down under the new policy is determined by how much the combined value of their countable income plus excess assets exceeds the value allowed.

For example, say a couple has one child, who becomes ill and needs more medical care than the family has money to pay for. The department allows them to have \$3,050 worth of assets without having any spend-down. If such persons have \$3,700 worth of assets, they must either incur medical bills or have paid receipts totaling \$650 before the Department

of Public Aid will begin paying for their medical care.

If the family has excess income as well, the department adds the amount of their excess income to the amount of their excess assets to compute the total amount they must spend-down before the department begins paying their medical expenses.

The spend-down amount varies from case to case depending on the amount of excess income and assets involved.

"Many people who have more assets than old regulations allowed still need help paying their medical bills," Suter said. "Illinois' new spend-down policy enables many people to obtain that help through Medicaid."

Hartigan lashes out at tax history of Illinois' Thompson-Edgar years

SPRINGFIELD — Democratic gubernatorial candidate Neil F. Hartigan says a recently released independent study "confirms what many of us have known all along: Illinois is strangling itself with its tax-and-spend cycle, and that cycle must be stopped."

A 115-page report released by the Heartland Institute, a non-profit and nonpartisan research organization based in Chicago, finds that Illinois has languished in an "economic ice age" which it attributes to an inordinately high tax burden.

"The Thompson-Edgar years in Illinois have brought us 21 new taxes, and cost us millions of jobs and billions of dollars of goods and services," Hartigan said. "And yet Jim Edgar thinks we ought to pile another permanent tax hike onto the backs of Illinois residents. Well, I believe — and this report bears out — that tax hikes should never be your first resort."

Edgar is considered the top Democratic gubernatorial candi-

date for the 1990 elections.

The Heartland Institute study, conducted by a team of economists, uses a sophisticated method of computation to determine Illinois' relative tax burden. The study found that Illinois had a tax burden in 1986 that ranked 11th in the nation, 6 percent above the national average.

But the report indicates Illinois ranks 48th out of 50 states in rate of economic growth. According to the study, Illinois has lost 1.5 million jobs since 1969, and lost \$46 billion in goods and services in 1986 alone.

The report goes on to predict that current tax policies will cause more job loss and a decline in Illinois personal income.

"We do ourselves no favors by hiking taxes every time we feel the pinch," Hartigan said. "It's time to look to new solutions, it's time to be bold and innovative. That's the approach I represent."

Hartigan has repeatedly proposed that the state find revenue

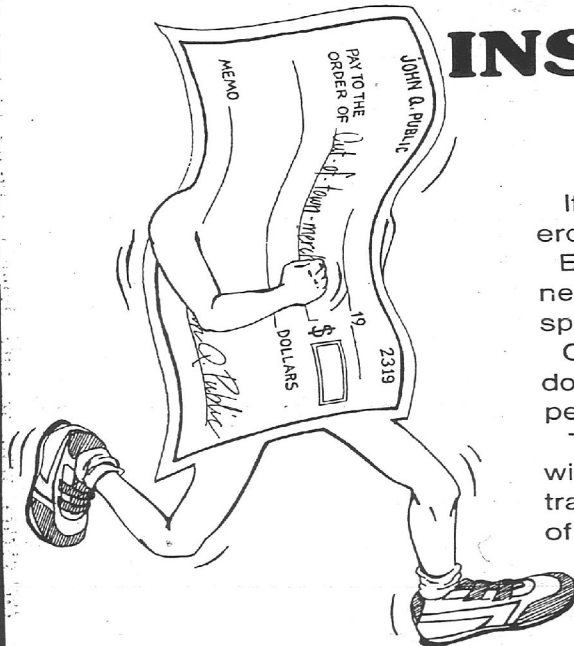
within existing expenditures by cutting out waste and mismanagement. One example cited by Hartigan has been the ineffective performance by the state Department of Commerce and Community Affairs.

The Heartland Institute study bears that out, he said. The report suggests that DCCA tactics such as tax abatements, "selective subsidies," and business loans may even be counterproductive to economic growth. The study showed that in 1968, Illinois led the nation in "economic development" spending, but wound up with little to show for it.

"DCCA is a white elephant. The whole agency needs to be dismantled and completely rethought. And then it must be rebuilt to do — foster — economic growth," Hartigan said.

"With every new tax, we're digging ourselves deeper and deeper. I think it's time we started climbing again."

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Kids can rock in safe environment

While America's war on drugs continues in Washington, D.C., St. Louis is bringing out its own artillery — rock 'n' roll.

KidsPlace: St. Louis will present a rock show for young people from 6 to 8 p.m. Oct. 27 at Furst Rock, 214 Morgan St., on Laclede's Landing. The bar will shut off its beer taps and serve only soda during the show. After 8 p.m., the club opens for the 21-and-older set.

Popular local band, Broken Toyz, will provide the musical punch with opening act, Forbidden Young, also from St. Louis. Both bands have waived performance fees for the event. The admission charge is \$5.

KidsPlace, which was formed in 1985, is not a service organization. It provides other community groups with ideas on helping youngsters make the right choices in life.

David Joyce, a KidsPlace board member, said this is the first event of its kind for the organization. The show will top off a day-long program, "Downtown is Kids Town," which will provide honest information to high school youths about such topics as drinking and driving and gangs. Programs for younger children also will be offered. Events are planned for St. Louis Community College at Forest Park, Union Station and St. Louis Centre, Joyce said. Hours for events were not confirmed at *Journal* press time.

"Our basic role is to take what youths say they want to see happen and act as a catalyst for service organizations," Joyce said. "We say 'Let's do it.'"

One of the things that young people want most is safe recreation, according to a 1987 KidsPlace survey of 70,000 St. Louis area high school students.

Finding ideas for alcohol- and drug-free activities is becoming an important task for KidsPlace.

"Where can you go to a concert in St. Louis where young people are not faced with those choices?" Joyce said. "They're going to have to learn to face them, but if we can provide them with a place (without drugs and alcohol) where the heck should they go to a club with an open bar?"

Concert organizers hope to draw at least 350 young people. Joyce said the event, if successful, will send a loud message to other St. Louis-area club owners.

For more information, "Downtown is Kids Town" and the Broken Toyz concert at Furst Rock, call KidsPlace at 421-4220, ext. 287. Ask for Denise Casaline.

Debbie Reinhardt covers the local concert scene for the *Journal*.



Harry Hamm

'White Palace' to film in St. Louis

Noted film maker Mark Rosenberg will be one of the producers of the most expensive feature films ever shot in St. Louis.

Rosenberg said he and his partner Sydney Pollock are beginning work on a movie called "White Palace," from the novel of the same title by Glenn Savan of St. Louis. The novel is about an affair between a man from University City and a woman from south St. Louis that is set in St. Louis.

The film will star James Spader (director of "sex, lies and videotapes") and Susan Sarandon, Rosenberg said.

"We start shooting in St. Louis on Oct. 25, and with the exception of a few days in New York City, the entire film will be made in St. Louis," he said.

Rosenberg added that the cast and crew would be in St. Louis for approximately three months and that the budget for the production costs while in St. Louis is approximately \$10.5 million.

The only two other theatrically released movies of similar stature made primarily in this area were "Escape From New York" (1981) and "In the Heat of the Night" (1967), which was shot in Sparta.

Rosenberg is producer of the 20th Century Release, "The Fabulous Baker Boys," starring Michelle Pfeiffer and Jeff and Beau Bridges, which opens Oct. 13.

Word has been circulating around town that Jeffrey will be part of an all-star musical revue to play St. Louis on Oct. 25 for the benefit of an AIDS research group. But Jeffrey said last weekend in Hollywood it was news to her.

"I'm leaving for Russia tomorrow (Sept. 25) to do a film with Sean Connery and I'm going to be over there for quite a while," she said.

Stage and film star Kevin Kline, a 1965 graduate of The Priory in west St. Louis County, has been booked to star in Joseph Papp's New York Shakespeare Festival production of "Hamlet."

Kline recently married actress Phoebe Cates, who co-stars in the motion picture "Heart of Darkness."

Harry Hamm is entertainment editor for both KMOX-AM (1130) and the CBS Radio Network.

Seeing Red

Master of mirth, Red Skelton, entertains students and media alike during recent trip to area.

By Bob Sauer
Staff writer

Red Skelton peppered the audience with his time-tested brand of wit and humor, and another crowd, this time Tuesday at Cape Girardeau, was soon his own.

Skelton, whose career includes circuses, movies and a television show, proved to a crowd of about 50 students and administrators at Southeast Missouri State University that he is still going strong, even at the self-proclaimed age of 76.

Skelton, 19 years after his smash television show, remains busy, performing about 75 concerts and 20 art shows per year, he said. He was in Cape Girardeau this week as part of the university's Family Weekend. As his pest, he arrived in town a few days before Saturday's scheduled performance.

"I came into town early so that I can meet people," said Skelton, who lives in Palm Springs, Cal. "A lot of young comedians come in an fling themselves at the audience, and it takes them some time to get going. I go around and I meet people, so that when I walk out on the stage, I don't seem like a French guy."

"In Chicago, I played at a theater and across the street was a restaurant and there was a lady sitting there with her little boy, and she said to him, 'Do you want to see Red Skelton?' and he said 'no.' And, she said (to the boy) 'then eat,'"

Skelton quipped, drawing laughter from the crowd. Skelton, who accompanied a resident to a department store to purchase the bucket and mop for his comedy routine, said his involvement with people remains a prime inspiration as he continues his show-business career.

Interacting with the audience, Skelton shared memories of his top-rated television show, which aired from 1962 to 1971. When asked which of his famous characters, including Freddy the Freeloader and Clem Kaddiddehopper, was his favorite, he responded, "The one with the best script."

"They (the characters) all get fan mail," he added. "It has been 19 years since I have been on network television and they get fan mail. And when I was on the air, I used to get fan mail that said, 'why don't you slay off there and let Freddy on more,'" he said, drawing laughter from the



RED SKELTON also known as Clem Kaddiddehopper, entertained students and members of the media Tuesday during a news conference at Southeast Missouri University at Cape Girardeau.

crowd.

While he misses his weekly trek "into people's homes on Tuesday nights," he said he enjoys relating with the audience during his subsequent shows.

"I like to meet people," he said. "It's nice, in St. Paul where there were 15,000 people and Phoenix. My (television) show was not that good. But it was the one show that the whole family got together for."

"I have heard from people who told me, 'I thank you for my childhood.'"

Skelton said he is considering offers from two companies who are vying to purchase syndication rights to his television show.

Comparing his works to the legendary painters', Skelton commented, "The guy I felt sorry for was Michaelangelo. To lay on his back for seven years, painting the Sistine Chapel and the Pope came in and said, 'that's nice, but we are going to need a second coat,'" he said to the laughter of the crowd.

In the midst of a busy schedule, Skelton budgets time every day to paint, in addition to composing music and writing short stories, among other daily activities.

"I am a firm believer that we all suffer from a disease called procrastination," he said. "We let and not let it use you. My time starts at 5:30 in the morning, no matter where I am at. ... The first thing I do each day is write a love letter to

carry a cigar but never light it. A lady asks me, 'on a plane, do you ever light that thing and I say, 'the back with a child. Skelton joked, I must have been talking too long. When I started, the lady didn't have a child."

Skelton, whose audience has included eight presidents and three Popes, conveys comedy in other ways than words. A pantomime of "Clem Kaddiddehopper" with a feather proved to be a hit with the audience.

Explaining his start in show business at the age of 10, the native of Vincennes Ind., recalls a medicine show.

"I started with a medicine show," he said. "It was a platform in an open field that gave free entertainment and sold a product. It is called television now," he said, drawing a round of laughter from the crowd.

On a more serious tone, he added, "When I was a boy, my mother got tickets for me to go to the theater," he said. "The actors were on stage and when the comedian came on, everybody straightened up, and I watched the audience and I told my mother, that is what I want to be when I grow up. I want to try to make people laugh."

"My father, in his younger years, to pay his tuition through college at law school, he worked as a clown in a circus, and that was part of my inspiration," he added.

Mechanic finds novel way to start car

By Mike Leathers
Staff writer

COLLINSVILLE — Don Parnley was shivering in his Cadillac on a winter morning in February 1988, waiting impatiently for the heater to warm his car up.

"I was shivering and shaking and I thought to myself, 'There's got to be a better way,'" Parnley recalled. That's when he got the idea, and four months later he developed his first working model of Dial-A-Start.

Now Parnley starts his car without leaving his home in Deterding Hills, a subdivision north of Collinsville — by calling it on the phone.

Parnley, 47, has two working models of Dial-A-Start; the second is installed in his brother Ron's van.

Dial-A-Start fits neatly under the dashboard and contains a pager which activates the mechanical starter to start the engine. When the pager's phone number is dialed, it is activated in about 30 seconds and starts the car.

By dialing the number again, Dial-A-Start will turn the car off. Once the key is in the ignition, Dial-A-Start will not turn off the car even when its phone number is dialed, Parnley said.

By leaving his car's heater or air conditioner on, Parnley can warm up or cool down his car without leaving his house.

If the engine dies within one minute of starting, Parnley said his gadget will try to restart it. Dial-A-Start will shut itself off after one minute if the engine does not respond, he said.

Parnley is a self-employed automatic transmission mechanic with an eighth grade education. He and his brother, Ron, authorized attorney Don Weber to conduct a patent search and found out Dial-A-Start is unique. They have applied for a patent and are awaiting its arrival.

There was an initial draw back, which Parnley has corrected. His Cadillac would start up if someone else accidentally dialed his pager's phone number. It happened on a few occasions, usually around Thanksgiving and Christmas, he said.

To solve the inconvenience, Parnley said Dial-A-Start can be rigged with a code num-



RON PARNLEY helped by putting up financing to patent Dial-A-Start. His van holds one of the two working models.

ber — such as a 16-digit credit card number, — to be dialed after the regular phone number.

How much will Dial-A-Start cost? Parnley said he will build and install one for your car for \$650. There is also about a \$7 monthly charge to pay Illinois Bell for the pager.

Parnley and his brother, who paid about \$1,600 for the patent search and attorney's fees, hope that Dial-A-Start will be picked up by a national company, like Motorola or RCA, and will be mass-marketed.

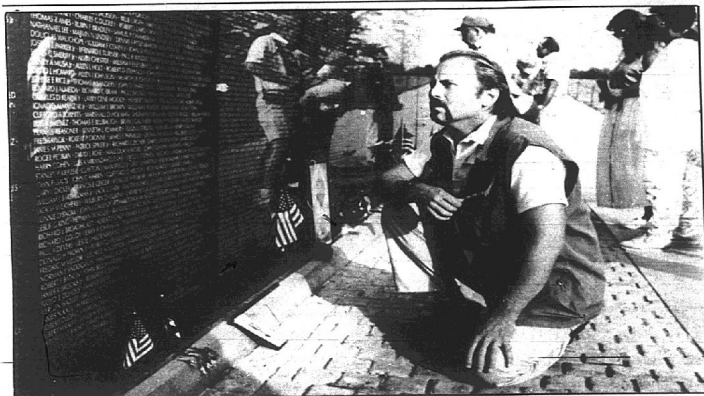
If a company does buy the device, the price should decrease greatly because the manufacturer will have the equipment and technology to put

together tens of thousands of Dial-A-Starts quickly, Parnley said.

The device will be perfect for people who want their cars heated or cooled when they go to or leave work, Parnley said. It also has broader applications, such as starting up an oil rig or shutting down a train, he said.

A car can be started from "anywhere in the world" with Dial-A-Start, Parnley said.

Ron Parnley said people have called Collinsville from Arizona and Florida to demonstrate that a car could be started by long distance. "I could be halfway around the world in Japan and start that car here," he said.



VIETNAM VETERAN: Emmett Smith, played by Bruce Willis, pays his respects to some of the men he knew by visiting the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in the film "In Country."

New Willis seen in latest role

You won't recognize Bruce Willis in his newest film, "In Country," a motion picture about personal readjustment by Vietnam veterans that is set in an isolated Kentucky town.

Missing are Willis' patented smile and snarls and smart-alec one-liners. What appears instead is an older, brooding Willis, complete with a receding hairline, Fu Manchu mustache and a face full of stubble.

And the best thing about it is that Willis' physical transformation is matched by an equally remarkable change in his screen acting persona that demonstrates he can do more for \$5 million in a film than play a cop who can hold off terrorists who have captured a skyscraper.

"In Country" reveals Willis the actor and does not showcase Willis the celebrity performer.

Willis portrays Emmett Smith, a hopelessly aimless man whose mind cannot help wandering back nearly two decades to his wartime experiences in Southeast Asia. Emmett's memories make him cower in fear at the



Harry Hamm

sound of thunder, and in one scene, he climbs a tree during a lightning storm and yells toward the sky, "Show me your face." The remark seems aimed at the Almighty, or perhaps an enemy whose presence he always felt but whose face he never saw.

Emily Lloyd plays Samantha, the 17-year-old daughter of Emmett's sister who becomes a soul-mate of Emmett's on the subject of Vietnam. Sam, as she is called, lost her father in Vietnam and searches for her own answers about the conflict.

Together, Emmett and Sam find some common ground that helps illuminate both their searches.

The title, "In Country," is based on a slang expression used by the soldiers in Vietnam to describe the area, especially in terms of locations where soldiers were killed.

"In Country" has many fine performers in small roles, the best of which are Peggy Rea as Sam's grandmother, Judith Ivey as Emmett's old girl friend Anita, Joan Allen as Samantha's mother and John Terry as Tom, another Vietnam vet who becomes attracted to Sam.

"In Country" is a very evocative film visually, especially in a climactic scene at the Vietnam Memorial in Washington, D.C. Although the script is a little too episodic to maintain a proper level of sustained dramatic content, "In Country" upholds itself as a quietly effective statement movie on the personal aftermath of Vietnam as reflected in small town America.

Rated R (profanity, violence). Running time: 115 minutes.

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The complete list of programs is as follows: Marian McPartland Piano Jazz Duo, Oct. 19; Ed Meese, Nov. 13; Troupe America's "A Child's Christmas in Wales," Dec. 7; William Raspberry, Jan. 25, 1990; Pan Asian Repertory Theater Company, Feb. 27; Loretta Livingston and Dancers, March 8; Helen Caldicott, April 11; and American Boychoir, May 2.

'Johnny Handsome' big on gore, but Mickey Rourke has humanity



Frank Hunter

These days, when a director films scenes in which 20 or 30 people are maimed or killed in a two-hour movie, he achieves instant celebrity among millions of moviegoers who have a taste for blood.

Walter Hill ("Extreme Prejudice" and "Red Heat"), is such a filmmaker. He is the guiding light behind the gloomy, exceedingly violent "Johnny Handsome," in which Mickey Rourke plays a petty criminal whose life has gone awry because he was born ugly.

"Johnny Handsome" is a grisly, unpleasant drama of love, hate, retribution, redemption and all-around moral decay. It implies that the longest odds in the world are those against getting even.

Which is what John Sedley (mean-spirited grade school chums nicknamed him "Johnny Handsome") sets out to do after he is double-crossed by two partners in a New Orleans coin store robbery and sent to prison for a second term.

Neither the story, nor most of the characters, are likable, even though Rourke's Sedley exudes a certain humanity as a loser unable to deal with his own vaulting passions.

Born with a hideously

deformed face and a cleft palate reminiscent of "The Elephant Man," Sedley's future appears dim until a compassionate plastic surgeon fixes him up with a state-of-the-art face lift.

The medic (Forest Whitaker) knows that sympathy is the key that fits the lock on any prisoner's hardened heart, especially one who looks as awful as Sedley. His anti-social ways obviously stem from low self-esteem due to physical deformity and a muffled speech pattern that makes Sedley almost incomprehensible.

Following the surgery, the doctor helps Sedley land a job on a New Orleans dock where he develops a warm relationship with a shipyard accountant (Elizabeth McGovern). Life is better, although Sedley still seethes with hatred for those who did him in.

Unrecognized by former asso-

ciates Rafe and Sunny (Lance Henriksen and Ellen Barkin), Sedley interests them in a scheme to rob the shipyard payroll office of \$5 million, and later engineers a double-cross of the pair that propels the film to a grisly conclusion.

Despite various upheavals, the acting is solid, with Barkin hilarious (perhaps unintentionally) as vicious, gun-slinging Sunny Boyd, a hard-boiled motor mouth who makes Bonnie and Clyde look like a pair of prom night teenagers.

Henriksen is equally loathsome and twice as seedy, while Morgan Freeman (cast as an acerbic New Orleans cop who is certain that Sedley is beyond rehabilitation) has some funny lines.

Sedley's first glimpse of his newly rebuilt face is the only genuinely affecting scene in "Johnny Handsome." The rest of the time the audience is up to its hips in slaughter, gore and lousy language, and it's all downhill.



MICKEY ROURKE plays a New Orleans tough guy in "Johnny Handsome."

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Objects to be viewed include Venus, Saturn and the first quarter moon.

Telescopes are provided by the St. Louis Science Center and the St. Louis Astronomical Society.

For more information, or if weather is questionable, call the Science Center's 24-hour Night Sky Update at 289-4453.

St. Louis Science Center Fair Oct. 7-8

The St. Louis Science Center celebrates with its Fall Festival of Science Oct. 7 and 8. Activities are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily under the tent or inside in the exhibit gallery, depending on the weather.

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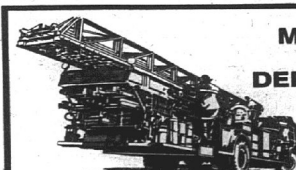
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Liquor

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petition, it has put their competitors at a disadvantage," Orbals said. As an example, he said that "Sallies" liquor license places that convenience store at an unfair advantage over similar competitors with no such license.

Orbals said under the proposed ordinance, Schnucks and National would change to Class BB licenses. He said a list of stores he would expect to be both qualified and wanting a license would be Shop 'n' Save, Super-X Drug Store, Medicare-Glazer Drug Store, Farm Fresh, Walgreen's Drug Store, Hook's Drug Store, Kozak's Market, the two Hucks's stores, the 7-11 store and, when they are built, the QuikTrip stores.

"I want to make it clear this list is mine, these stores have not necessarily asked for a license," Orbals said.

"Walgreen's, he said, is currently up for renovation and, without a liquor license, it would be a cleanup fix-up style. But with a liquor license, he said, it would be in line to undergo major expansion.

Medicare-Glazer, he said, is getting ready to expand by 400 percent.

"But, they've made it clear they need to be able to add liquor to make it profitable," Orbals said.

"All these places have strongly said they need the advantage of selling liquor. This is a good compromise ordinance, it supports development without making it possible to sell liquor in every little nook and cranny."

Orbals said he has never understood why the city has 47 by-the-drink licenses, but only 15 package store licenses.

"Why do we need three times as many by-the-drink licenses as package store licenses?" he asked. "It is considered that much better for people to drink somewhere and drive home rather than buy it and take it home?"

"In fact, we have by-the-drink licenses available. I think there are about 40 places that have them, leaving six or seven available."

"There are a half-dozen places on the waiting list for package liquor licenses, going back to 1985."

Third Ward Alderman Paul Fisk, the senior alderman, said he has talked to Mayor Von Dee Cruse about the issue and has fought it hard in the past.

"I find it difficult to separate the issue from my moral convictions," Fisk said. "I know it's geared to quick shops. But after this, how long before we open it up to someone else?"

"I'd hate to see it opened up all the way. I've noticed, in other cities, Amoco stations have licenses. I know that's not possible under this proposal, but that will be next."

Fisk said the difference in the number of package store and by-the-drink licenses isn't fair. "Really, I'd like to close them all," he said. "You know you're not going to take any licenses away. Does it make sense to hand out more just of even things up? I can't see that helping anything."

Fisk said he was going to have to oppose the ordinance.

"It's going to be a hot meeting, I guess."

Out-of-town bid winner causes council debate

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — The City Council awarded Affenberg Chevrolet in Belleville the bids for five new city trucks at the last meeting, but not without some dissent.

Affenberg was the low bidder for two dump trucks and the pickup trucks for the Street Department and a pickup truck for the Sanitation Department. Both the Street Committee and Sanitation Committee recommended the Affenberg bids.

But Seventh Ward Alderman Jeff Worthen argued it would not be out of line to accept the next lowest bid, approximately \$1,000 more, from Granite City's Novotny Chevrolet in the case of the pickup trucks.

"When there is not a significant difference in the bids, I think we should show preference to people who do business in our city day in and day out," Worthen said.

Worthen made a motion to award the bid for the dump trucks to Affenberg, but award the bid for the street department's pickups to Novotny.

Second Ward Alderman Jim Miller, who seconded Worthen's motion, said it is the aldermen's responsibility to accept the best bid, not necessarily the lowest. He said the advantage of being able to take the trucks to a local dealer for mandatory maintenance would actually save the city money in the long run.

Worthen, Miller and Second Ward Alderman Virgil Kambarian voted to award the bid to Novotny, but the other 11 aldermen disagreed. Several said ignoring the low bid in favor of a local business would destroy the bidding process and, when the word got out, no out-of-town business would submit bids.

Then, the council business would "start taking them to the cleaners,"

Worthen presented the same argument, again citing Novotny's bid, in the case of the truck for sanitation. Miller and Kambarian joined him in voting against accepting Affenberg's bid.

Miller said the amount of sales tax the city would receive on the sale would be more than the difference in the bids, so actually the city would be losing money.

Miller said after the meeting he was stretching the truth to make his point. "Actually I was trying to pull something over their eyes," he said. "The city doesn't pay sales tax, so I was sort of playing for the TV. But I think the overall point is valid."

Affenberg's bid for the two street department pickups was \$322,629.68 and for the sanitation department pickup \$13,945.55.

Novotny's bids were \$23,934.68 and \$14,801.57 respectively.

Corps decision on ditch cleaning probably will wait until mid-1990

GRANITE CITY — The Metro East Sanitary District and the local office of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers are still waiting to hear from Washington whether the Corps does ditches.

The expense of cleaning out about 50 miles of clogged ditches represents about 70 percent of the cost of rehabilitating the sewer district: \$20 million of a total \$38 million. The rest will go to rehabilitate 14 of the district's 15 pump stations and gravity drains into the Mississippi River.

Ron Lindsay, project study manager, said there is some question whether the Corps can legally do the work, since the ditches were dug more than 100 years ago.

Lindsay said the decision would be made by the office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army. "As far as I know, everything is fine and dandy," he said. "The Corps would release \$20,000 for work on the gravity drains, he said."

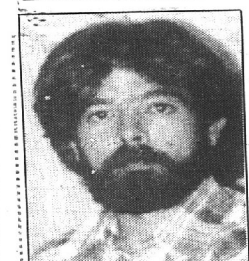
He said a decision on the ditches would probably not be made before the middle of next year.

A spokesman for Rep. Jerry Costello said Costello would probably not attempt to intervene on the MSD's behalf in the matter of the ditches.

"I think he probably feels any kind of decision on that is up to the Corps and the Army's attorneys," said Costello press aide Brian Lot.

Child stories at library

Obituaries



Daniel Pieper

Pieper

Daniel J. Pieper, 31, of Granite City, died at 5:25 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 28, 1989, at Barnes Hospital, St. Louis.

Mr. Pieper was born Aug. 28, 1958, in East St. Louis and had lived in Granite City most of his life. He was a leader with Foreign-Domestic Car Service in Venice. He was a U.S. Army veteran and a member of Holy Family Catholic Church in Granite City.

He is survived by four daughters, Channa Mary Pieper and Crystal Jean Pieper of Kirkwood, Mo., and Danielle Pieper and Brandi Stuffleben, both of Granite City. Also surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert (Mary) Pieper of Granite City; his grandmother, Mildred Polach of Granite City; a sister, Carol Ber-cume of Tulsa, Okla.; and two

brothers, Donald J. Pieper of Granite City and Robert J. Pieper, a member of the U.S. Navy stationed in Hawaii.

Visitation is 3 to 9 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 1, at Werner Chapel, 3939 Lake Drive, Pontoon Beach. A wake service begins at 4:30 p.m. A Requiem High Mass will be said at Holy Family Catholic Church at 9 a.m. Monday, Oct. 2. Burial will be at Buck Road in rural Edwardsville.

The family requests memorials in the form of Mass cards.

Bloomquist

Lawrence Ray Bloomquist, 60, of Mitchell, formerly of Granite City, died Thursday, Sept. 28, 1989, in Middletown, Ohio.

Mr. Bloomquist was born June 26, 1929, in Detroit, Mich. He had been employed as a construction lineman with the Illinois Brotherhood of Electrical Workers #309 since 1960. He was a U.S. Navy veteran.

Mr. Bloomquist is survived by his wife, Jean (Wilkinson) Bloomquist; two sons, Larry Bloomquist and Mark Bloomquist, both of Granite City; two daughters, Mrs. Bob (Terry) Meyer of Granite City and Lorri Bloomquist of Alhambra; and seven grandchildren.

Arrangements are pending at Werner Chapel, 3939 Lake Drive, Pontoon Beach.

Wantland

Alta Mae (Jameson) Wantland, 73, of Granite City, died at 1:35 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 26, 1989, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

She was born April 2, 1916, in Mayes County, Okla., and had lived in Granite City for many years. She was a retired self-employed real estate broker and a member of Calvary Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Carl E. Wantland, one daughter, Mrs. John (June) Greenfelder of Earlton, Fla., and two grandchildren.

Visitation was held Thursday at Herr Funeral Home in Collinsville, where funeral services were held Friday at 11 a.m. with the Rev. Fred Wright officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, near Edwardsville.

Roach

Marjorie C. (Brewer) Roach, 60, of Granite City, died at 6:35 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 30, 1989 at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. She had been ill for two months and in the hospital for one week.

She was born Feb. 12, 1929 in Lepanto, Ark., and had lived in Granite City for 46 years. She retired in 1955 from Nesco where she had worked for 11 years in the chemical laboratory. Mrs. Roach was of the Baptist faith.

Her husband, Ernest Roach, died in 1955.

Survivors include one son, Charles Roach of Granite City, one sister, Juanita Brewer of Montpelier, Ill., and two grandsons.

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rushed, but assured her the treatment should cure it.

"I just want to know," she said. "I want to know what to expect. Is he going to get real

sick and end up in the hospital? I want to know."

The Illinois Department of Public Health took a report over the phone, Hammel said, and

promised to get back with her in a couple of days.

"I've been giving him the Benadryl and the rash seems to be lightning," she said. "I think he's getting better."

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Births

Turcotts proud parents of son

Mr. and Mrs. Alan (Vickie Leggett) Turcott are announcing the birth of their son, born Sept. 14 at Centerville Township Hospital. The infant was named Katelyn Jean Mifflin and he weighed 7 pounds, 10 ounces.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth C. Turcott Sr., Linda Leggett and the late Jim Leggett, all of Granite City.

Mifflin birth announced here

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle (Anne) Mifflin of Ballston Spa, N.Y., are announcing the birth of their daughter, born Aug. 31, at 10 a.m. at Saratoga Hospital. The infant was named Katelyn Jean Mifflin and she weighed 7 pounds, 12 ounces and was 20 inches long. She joins another sister, Christine Anne.

Maternal grandparents are Carol D. Hickey and James E. Hickey, both of Saratoga Springs, N.Y. Paternal grandparents are Jean and Wilson Rudd of Granite City.

Paternal great-grandmother is Ruth Von Schmittou and maternal great-grandmother is Jane C. Hickey.

Beckers announce latest arrival

Sandy and Patrick Becker are announcing the birth of a son, Justin Eugene Becker born Sept. 7, 1989, at Christian Northwest Hospital. The infant weighed eight pounds and four ounces.

He has a sister, Jessica, 5. Maternal grandparents are Eugene and Butch Stein of Granite City and paternal grandparents are John and Dorothy Becker also of Granite City.

Fords announce first grandson

Mr. and Mrs. Edward (Inez) Ford of Granite City are announcing the birth of their first grandson, Jonathan Michael Kinum, born Aug. 25 at Bellevue Hospital in Niskayuna, N.Y. The infant weighed 8 pounds, 14 ounces and was 21 inches long.

The parents are Drs. Edward and Dawn Kinum of Scotia, N.Y. The mother is formerly of Granite City. Maternal great-grandparents are Dr. and Mrs. E.W. Walton of Granite City and paternal grandparents are Dr. and Mrs. E.A. Kinum of Scotia.

Junior Service ends summer, eyes fall

Junior Service held its first meeting since the summer on Sept. 18. The guest speaker for the evening was Barbara Berridge, speaking out for "Citizens Against Crime."

In attendance were: Diane Simon, Laurie Logan, Julie Worthen, Melia Rosenberg, Debbie McMillan, Pat Murphy, Jan Cassidy, Donna Sprankle, Nora Foster, Becky Serich, Sharon Reader, Carol Jones and Laura Rapoff.

Also attending were: Mary Bright, Mary Holloway, Debbie Heintz, Marilyn Bilyeau, Grace Parker, Becca Becker, Jeannie Wilbur and guests, Shelly Wilbur, Kathleen Reader, Eleanor Hobson, Dorothy McCormick and Theresa Weckman.

Eagles Auxiliarians get district posts

At the Eagles Auxiliary District 7 meeting hosted by Collinsville Auxiliary 1051, three Granite City Auxiliary 1126 members were elected as district officers.

They are: District trustees, Helen Lipchik and Ruth Jorgensen, and historian, Vincine Zerlan.

Other officers elected were: District chairman, Alice Randle, Wood River; junior past chairman, Vera Johnson, Shiloh; vice chairman, Helen Meyers, Alton; chaplain, Mary Mueller, Collinsville; conductor, Stella Macarrie, Collinsville; secretary, Rita Cucco, Alton; inside guard, Joan Accord, Alton; outside guard, Elaine Jagla, Shiloh; district mother, Kathy Dullea, Shiloh; and pianist, Grace Gasperin, Collinsville.

Mary Stogner, Illinois State Auxiliary past president, was the installing president.

The meeting was presided over by District Chairman Vera

Organizations

Johnson, Shiloh.

The following state officers and chairmen were escorted into the meeting hall: Vera Johnson, District 7 chairman, Shiloh; Lucille Smith, Eagle education chairman and state grandmother, Alton; Evelyn Swinney, state treasurer, Wood River; Kathy Dullea, state chaplain, Shiloh; Hazel McCormick, state mother, Alton; Florence "Puzz" Hagnauer, Granite City, and Helen Meyers, Alton; and Angie Buehler, State Alzheimer's chairman, Granite City. Each honored guest was presented with a gift by Chairman Johnson.

It was voted to donate \$100 to Ian Stogner, grandson of member Mary Stogner, who is ill. An initiation ceremony was conducted for two candidates from Collinsville by the State Champion Ritual Team, which consisted of President Lucille Smith; Junior Past President Kathy Dullea; Vice President Vera Johnson; Chaplain Helen Lipchik; and Conductor Angie Buehler.

The state ritual team was honored for attaining the state championship at the recent state convention held in Moline and their captain, Evelyn Swinney, was presented with a plaque.

Vera Johnson was presented with her past district chairman ring by newly-elected chairman, Alice Randle.

Local members attending were: Elo Stokes, Katie Kostoff, Helen Lipchik, Angie Buehler, Florence "Puzz" Hagnauer, Vincine Zerlan, Opal Cain, Gladys Freeman, Darlene Aurand, Joan Spencer, Mary Horvat, Stella Miller, Helen Mueller, Del Deloney, Eileen Rickert, Jeannie Burton and Susie Allen.

Granite City was awarded the traveling trophy for having the

most members in attendance, and also received a money award for having the highest percentage.

Shiloh Auxiliary will host the next District 7 meeting in November, with the auxiliaries to be notified of the date.

Second reunion for Radio club

The second annual reunion of the former Circle Radio League club was held Saturday, Sept. 16, at Shelter 5 at Wilson Park.

Visiting and a picnic were enjoyed by Peggy and Bud Sheumaker and Faye and Harry Nelson of Woodriver, Ill., and Brenda and Dale O'Beir and Millie and Bill Stomum of Granite City. The third annual reunion will be held Saturday, Sept. 8, 1990.

Chapter social at Jordan's

The regular monthly social of Eta Chapter, Phi Tau Omega Sorority, was held Sept. 21 at Jordan's Restaurant in St. Louis.

Hostesses for the evening were: Jan Greathouse, Eunice Hatcher, Betty Keck, and Debbie Wilson.

Dinner was served to 14 members and two guests: Julieanne Hatcher and Kathy Keck. Preceding the social hour, a short business meeting was conducted by the president, Mary Hassler. Bank Night was won by Ann Tatum and a 50/50 raffle was won by Mary Lou Richeson.

Following dinner, cards were

played with prizes awarded to: Hassler, Hatcher, Martha Ruth Thomas, Georgiana Van Buskirk and Janis Wolfe.

Other members who attended were: Jane Haug, Hilda Schroeder, Dolores Sheridan, Kathryn Weddell and Mary Evalyne Yench.

Lydia Circle plans conference trip

After three months of vacation, the Lydia Circle of Nameo-ki United Methodist Church met in the home of Marie Isenbourg. The blessing for dessert and the meeting was given by Dorothy Wallace.

Mary Bailey opened the meeting by asking Bess Tucker to read an article titled, "Hugs." Secretary and treasurer's reports were given and birthday money was collected.

Members were asked to sign up for the Prayer Vigil on Oct. 11. Crafts are being held on Monday evenings of the Autumn-fest. It will be Saturday, Oct. 28. United Methodist Women Conference will be Oct. 6 at 9 a.m. in Olney, Ill.

Those attending the meeting were: Bess Rucker, Tarah Erney, Mary Bailey, Dorothy Wallace, Marie Long, Gladys Russell, Ann Haley, Ruby Gub-derson, Marie Isenbourg and prospective member, Millie Clements.

Also attending were guests, Jerri Arkins from Arizona and Nell Ambuehl.

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5-Star Club members enjoy special holiday

Maxine Duniphan covers the Mitchell area for the Press-Record/Journal. She can be contacted at 931-2714.

Alta Stewart and Mary Reed, both members of the Chouteau Township Senior Citizens, were among the 57, 5-Star Club members who enjoyed a paradise holiday on the Pacific Isles in mid-September. The group was bused to the St. Louis Lambert International Airport, where they boarded a TWA plane for the trip to the Isle of Oahu.

The group visited the Polynesian Cultural Center and the Hilo Hattie Garment Factory. At the factory everyone was given a shell lei. They also visited Falls Park, where they viewed cascading waterfalls, and nearby Pearl Harbor and Arizona Memorial.

One day was spent on a bus tour of the Big Island of Hawaii. There they saw the Kilauea Eruption, (formed from the volcanic rocks) and Rainbow Falls. The tour also included a Kodak Hula Show where everyone had their picture taken dressed in Hawaiian attire. They also enjoyed a sunset dinner aboard a catamaran, the Aili Kai, and a luau at Paradise Cove.

Karl and Barbara Fulmer of Margaret Avenue, accompanied by their son, Robert Fulmer and their granddaughter, Tammy Sad Suck, have returned from a week on the Gulf Coast of Mississippi and Alabama.

The first leg of the trip took them to Yazoo City, Miss., where they spent the night before continuing their trip to Biloxi where they hit the beach for some swimming and sunbathing. They also did some shopping and enjoyed dining at the seafood restaurants. They visited Marine Sea World in Gulf Port, Miss. Then it was on to Dauphin Island, Ala. There they toured Fort Gaines, an old Civil War Army fort. They enjoyed the tour and the history of the fort that once protected the entrance to Mobile Bay.

On the return trip, the Fulmers and their guests stopped in Memphis, Tenn., and Sikeston, Mo. In Sikeston they had planned to eat at the famous LeBarbets' Cafe, home of the "throw n roll," but customers were lined up all the way out to the parking lot. "Too long of a wait for a hungry man," said Mr. Fulmer. They headed home.

Emily Jones of Barkley Avenue accompanied her daughter and son-in-law, Violet and Bob Clifton of East Chain of Rocks Road to Cuba, Mo., Sunday. Enroute they stopped in St.



Maxine Green

James where they had dinner and continued their trip to Cuba where they visited Mrs. Clifton's two aunts and their husbands, Roger and Belle Dodson and Leo and Margaret Unrue.

Maxine Duniphan of Chouteau Avenue and her daughter, Carolyn Long, and granddaughter Dena Long, of Pontoon Beach, attended a baby shower in Villa Ridge, Mo., Sunday.

The honoree was Alisa (Palmer) Lowe, wife of Mrs. Long's son, Dana Lowe, formerly of Pontoon Beach.

The party was at the home of the honoree's parents, Ron and Janet Leslie.

Pearl Turner of Patricia Avenue, her sister Evelyn Davis of Cottage Hills and their friend, Wanda Anderson of South Roxana, traveled to Somerset, Ky. last week to attend a birthday dinner for Helen Crouch, mother of Pearl and Evelyn.

Mrs. Crouch celebrated her 80th birthday on Sept. 13 with five of her seven children present. Attending besides Pearl and Evelyn was another daughter, Delta Sadler and her husband, James, also of Somerset and two of her sons, Billy Crouch with his wife, Ann, and their daughter, Kathy and Kathy's children, all of Lawrenceville, Ga., and Charlie Crouch.

Lowell and Marguerite Warren have returned home from southeast Missouri where they attended the 50th anniversary of the Shady Dell Baptist Church in its building in McGee, Mo.

The church began as a Brush Harbor on the site where the present church building stands. The building was erected in 1939. The Warrens, formerly from the area, once attended church at Shady Dell. Following the celebration, the couple drove to Puxico, Mo., where they spent the night with her brother, the Rev. Eugene Payne and his wife, Versa.

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FIVE GENERATIONS: Nillie Nolen of Granite City holds her great-granddaughter Lauren Michelle Hummel. Standing behind her is great-grandmother Dorothy H. Barnes also of Granite City. Next to her is the infant's grandfather Stanley R. Barnes of Edwardsville and kneeling is the child's mother Sandra Hummel of Collinsville.

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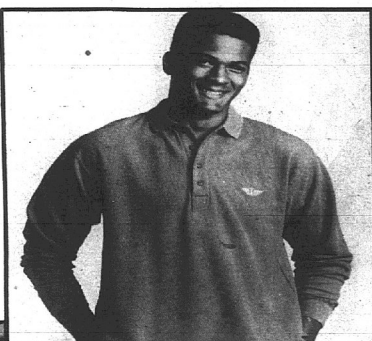
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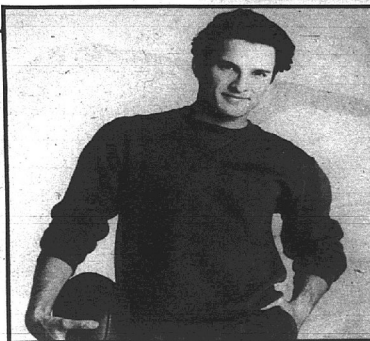
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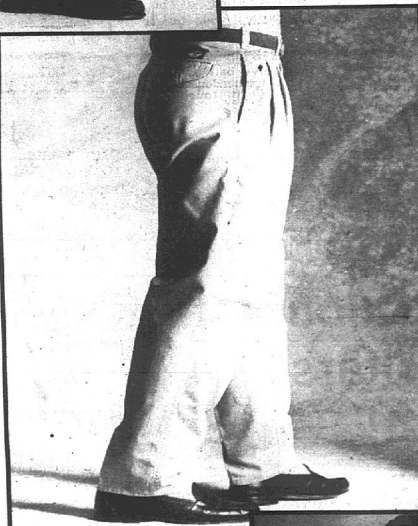


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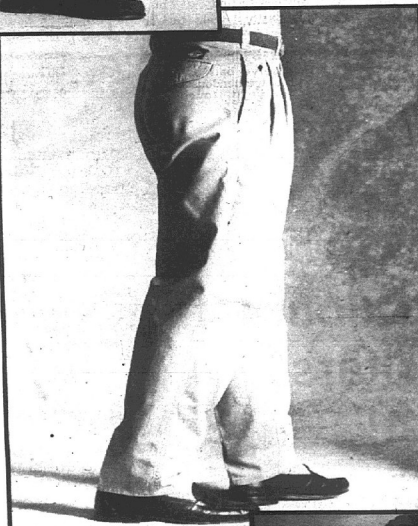
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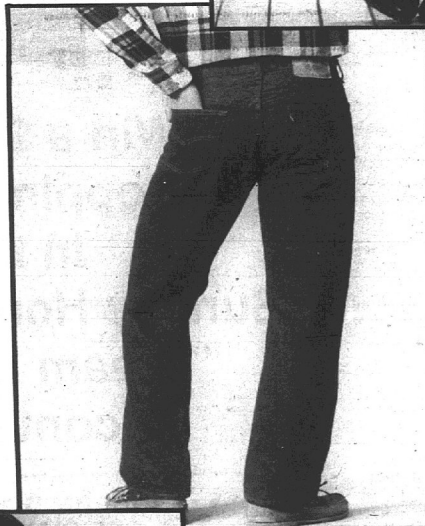
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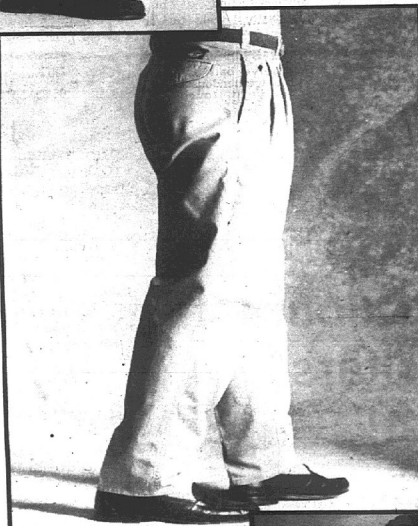
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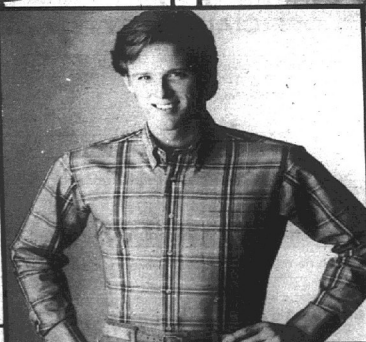
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DUPO — Lightning strikes quickly.

The Dupo Tigers scored quickly and often en route to a 53-0 Homecoming blowout of Madison on Friday at A.C. Daugherty Field.

What has usually been a close, low-scoring rivalry in past seasons turned into a route almost immediately. Josh Markert picked off an Ira Rockett pass on the first play of the game and returned it 16 yards to Madison's 28. It only took the Tigers (4-0) five plays to score as Jack Chatter rambled in from eight yards out, and the massacre was on.

It was total domination from there. Dupo scored six more times in the first half to take a commanding 41-0 halftime lead. Chandler, who piled up 171 yards rushing on nine carries in the first half, scored two more times during the game's first half. The Tigers racked up 446 yards of total offense.

On the other hand, the Trojans (1-4), who had their worst outing of the year, had only one yard of total offense in the first half to go along with four turnovers. For the night, Madison only made 16 yards on 41 offensive plays.

"They just ran right over us," said Madison coach Don Smith. "We were beaten as soon as we got off the bus. Our minds just weren't in the game. Plain and simple, it's a game you'd just like to forget."

"I'm really surprised about the lopsided outcome of this game. We've played them real strong in the past and they really haven't scored much offensively this year, but we didn't come to play and they took it right at us."

"I was surprised by the final score," said Dupo coach Gary Mauser. "I don't know if their kids quit or just were out during the course of the game. Intercepting that pass to start the game really set us off. I was happy to see our offense consistently."

"Now, I wouldn't say we'll score like this every week, but we want to be consistent. With games coming up against the likes of Freeburg and Columbia,

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Q-Chandler 1 run (pass failed) 5:32 16-0
Q-Chandler 36 run (London pass from Markert) 5:24 16-0
Q-Chandler 43 pass from Markert (Buehrich kick) 5:09 16-21-0
Q-Sel 5 run (Buehrich kick) 4:45 22-0
Q-Chandler 75 run (Buehrich kick) 4:21 28-0
Q-Moore 9 run (kick failed) 4:12 28-0
Q-Moore 1 run (kick failed) 5:03 34-0
Q-Tiger 1 run (kick failed) 5:04 40-0
First downs: Dupo 17, Madison 5
Rushing: Dupo 42-608, Madison 39-13
Passing: Dupo 1 for 2, 43 yards Madison 5 for 11, 3 yards
Total yards: Dupo 446, Madison 15
Turnovers: Madison 5, Dupo 0
Penalties: Dupo 11/87, Madison 5/40

we must be able to score some points offensively. I can't expect 33 points every week, but I'd love it."

Madison was without its best player, Tony Treadway, who was deemed academically ineligible for the week.

"Not having Treadway really hurt our defense," said Smith. "(James) Wellmaker really suffered out there. The freshman gave it all he had, but Dupo's running game just overpowered him and the rest of our defense."

"Tony's one of our leaders and without him our guys felt they couldn't win. We were looking for someone to step forward to take charge, but the leader never appeared. It was simply pitiful."

"It was the worst game that I've been involved in during my eight years of coaching. Our guys just quit. I won't mention any names, but we totally fell apart."

While Smith lamented his team's performance, Mauser was pleased to see his offensive line control the line of scrimmage.

"They came out and blocked well tonight," said Mauser. "We opened up some holes big enough to drive a semi-truck through. They worked real hard in practice this week and did a whole lot of a job."

"It was a frustrating loss for our players and our fans," said Smith. "It was homecoming for them and Dupo was sky-high and hungry, while we're struggling. Hopefully, we can bounce back next week against Red Bud when we celebrate our Homecoming. Things can only get better from here."

Flyers

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drive, with LaGrant Suggs doing the honors from five yards out.

Demon Hunt intercepted Thomas on the next series, but Todd Pryor got his second interception in two weeks to stop that. Plyer threat, but Steve Evanoff fumbled and the Flyers took over on the Warrior 22. Nevilles hit Creeper for 16 yards, then Creeper scored from 13 yards out and it was 28-0 with 5:57 left in the first half.

"I'm not surprised they threw that much in the first half," said Yates. "They will have to throw to beat the good teams later in

the year." The Warriors went 48 yards in seven plays after a fumble by Toby Isom was recovered by Scott Oden to score their touchdown. Terry Noud had a 17-yard run and Thomas hit Evanoff for 18 yards to set up the score.

"It felt good to score and our kids didn't quit at all," Yates said. "I have no criticism of our guys."

And I hope East St. Louis doesn't go on strike. They're too good a football team to forfeit games. I don't really have anything to compare them with, but they have to be a top 10 team nationally. They're awful good."

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Tournament

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CBC (7-1) is No. 1 in the area and Vianney (6-4-3) is No. 10. They are in Group B and will play each other Friday at 6:45 p.m. Chamaine and Belleville East are also in that group.

Baker feels Group A is the most balanced, with No. 4 Hazelwood Central (10-1), No. 7 DeSmet (5-2-2), No. 9 McCluer North (7-3) and No. 17 Rosary (5-6-1).

No. 2 Oakville (9-1-1) appears to be the favorite in Group C along with No. 6 SLUH (6-3-1). Unranked Hazelwood West and Kennedy are also in that group. SLUH and Oakville play at 3:10 Wednesday on the main field. There will be two games each day at 3:10, with one of them played on the freshman field just east of the Gauntlet.

"Oakville is obviously a very fine team," said Baker. "But there are a number of teams I might rank right there with them, including us."

That brings us to Group D. The Warriors are grouped with No. 5 Aquinas/Mercy, Hazelwood East and Smith/Cotton of Sedalia, Mo. Granite City, 10-1 and winners of six in a row, hasn't made the final four in the last two years. On both occasions, the Warriors had relatively little trouble in their first two games before losing the final Friday night game, to McCluer.

Barnidge

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son, DiPino and Power were shockingly good.

Those guys earned their money. No small deal in a business where the money is equal to the GNP of any number of Third World countries.

As for the rest of the team, there's not much to say.

Something special was needed from the Coleman, Brunansky, McGees and Pendletons. None was up to the task. They weren't alone. Almost to a man, the Cardinals were either mediocre or hurt.

It was disappointing, but it wasn't surprising.

What was disappointing was that a team that needed a boost from the front office never got it. Crunchtime came and went, and the people in the counting house never looked up from the till.

When you hit the crunch and you've got Ted Power, Ricky Horton, Ken Hill and Scott Terry in

Previous winners

1981 — Vianney
1982 — McCluer North
1983 — GRANITE CITY
1984 — Rosary
1985 — DeSmet
1986 — St. Louis U. High
1987 — Vianney
1988 — CBC

North in 1987 and to SLUH last year.

Friday's 8:30 p.m. game with Aquinas/Mercy appears to be the big obstacle, but Baker is taking them one at a time.

"That's the whole key in this tournament or else you'll get beat early," he said. "Smith/Cotton is a sleeper. They beat Parkway Central earlier. Hazelwood East has been up and down, but they have the top scorer in North County with Brian Ledbetter (nine goals)."

The Warriors open tournament play Monday with a 6:45 p.m. game against Hazelwood East, then face Smith/Cotton at 5 p.m. Monday before Friday's matchup with Aquinas. Collinsville beat the Falcons 1-0 last week in the CYC Tournament.

The winners of each of the four pools will meet in Saturday morning's semifinals, with the third place and championship matches set for Saturday evening.

your rotation and Ozzie Smith in the No. 3 hole in your batting order, you can't complain about the results. It's unlikely we'll hear complaints from the brass.

What could they possibly complain about? They're rolling in money. We bought nearly every ticket they printed. The fans delivered. In spades.

From the first day of the year, the Cardinals needed a starting pitcher and another hitter. The bouncers in the front office served up a new stadium sound system, new nacho stands, Levi's/JC Penney Collectors Pin Night and excuses.

Well, the time for excuses is over.

So is the time for wondering if the Mets and Expos will turn it on or if the Cubs will fold.

Bury 1989. It's over and done with. Thank goodness.

(Dennis Barnidge is a columnist for the Suburban Journals.)

Whaley

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a game. It comes down to a flip of the coin at times.

"So my rule is that when the whistle blows, the goalie is free to move however he wants, including out from the line. The shooter still only gets to hit the ball once, unless it comes back to him. It gives the keeper a little better percentage. We'll try it in the tournament and hopefully in the girls season, then I would like to get the rule for the boys."

All of this should create quite a show, and Baker wants more and more people to know about it. He approached ESPN a couple years ago about sending a film crew in to

cover the tournament, but it hasn't happened yet.

"I almost had something nailed down a couple years ago, but then it just didn't happen," he said.

This year, the whole tournament is being taped by a St. Louis company. That company will then produce a 55-minute highlight video which will be made available to the public.

"It will be set to music, so it should be nice," Baker said. "And we will send a copy of that to ESPN, which might help us get some coverage with them."

For soccer junkies, the fix is almost here. Let the show begin. (Dave Whaley is sports editor of the Press-Record/Journal.)

Golf

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NOTES: Also scoring for the Warriors were Dean Sheikh (84), Chris Sturdivant (85) and Scott Harrison (85). The top four teams and top 15 individuals in Tuesday's regional advance to the Belleville West Sectional on Oct. 10. Tuesday's field includes Alton, Belleville East, Belleville West, Civic Memorial, Collinsville, East St. Louis, Edwardsville, Granite City, Highland, Mascoutah, O'Fallon, Roxana, Triad and Wood River.

TEAM STANDINGS
1. Collinsville, 294; 2. Belleville West, 300; 3. Belleville East, 323;

4. Alton, 325; 5. GRANITE CITY, 335; 6. East St. Louis, 465.

INDIVIDUAL STANDINGS

1. Greg Louvier, Belleville West, 70; 2. Clyde Berning, Collinsville, 71; 3. Mike Chaney, Collinsville, 72; 4. Mike Mason, Collinsville, 74; 5. Eric Morgan, Belleville West, 75; 6. Chris Sanders, Belleville West, 75; 7. Tony Arro, Collinsville, 77; 8. Chris Ervin, Alton, 78; 9. Justin Kuehn, Belleville East, 78; 10. Kyle Kingsbury, Collinsville, 79; 11. CHAD LANE, GRANITE CITY, 79; 12. Jason Holtman, Belleville East, 79.

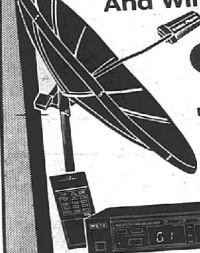
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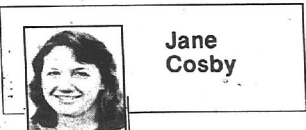
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Advice to parents covers kid-raising

Amid the child-rearing experts who seem to be coming out of the woodwork these days to advise impressionable parents, there is at least one who seems to understand the daily grind of raising children.

Dr. Green's Baby Book: A Parent's Guide to Surviving and Enjoying Baby's First Year, by Dr. Christopher Green (\$7.95, published by Fawcett Columbine), gives down-to-earth advice while attempting to boost parental confidence.

Green is a consultant pediatrician and head of the Child Development Unit at Royal Alexandra Hospital for Children in Sydney, Australia. He is also a lecturer in pediatric medicine at Sydney University.

Green's book deals with the first year of life and offers information in a chatty, let's-have-fun-together type of style.

Here are some samples of the wit and wisdom of child-rearing according to Dr. Green:

- Self-confidence (the parent's, not the child's): "Treat all child-rearing fashions with the healthy skepticism they deserve. Remember, today's message soon becomes yesterday's mistake. Remember, too, that trusting your basic instincts is a shoo-in to start. You'll find when you do, and it all works out, that your confidence will build."

- Guilt (parents'): "Beware of guilt. It creeps up on your tired and soggy brain to persuade you that you are incompetent and a disgrace to motherhood. The amazing thing is how often we end up with loving and well-adjusted children despite our worries."

- Bonding: "Don't get too scientific. You can't force feelings. Instant and undying love is only the stuff of cheap comics and fairy tales; lasting relationships come with time, closeness and commitment."

- Dealing with advice (not his, but other people's): "When the going gets tough, advice should only be accepted from friends and family who offer to roll up their sleeves and help. A few difficult days and busy nights soon separate the not-at-merchants from the genuine helpers."

- Food fights: "The first rule is never to fight about food as it will get you absolutely nowhere. Grazing is good for millions of sheep, and it must be good for toddlers."

- Choosing professional help: "You need an expert who will give help with the minimum of professional pontification. Whether it be a counselor, psychologist, or your doctor, you want someone who understands how you feel. They must be able to boost your confidence and send you off with a list of practical ideas that work for real people."

- "Dr. Green's Baby Book" is available at B. Dalton Booksellers or can be ordered through Waldenbooks.

- If you have any specific topic you would like to see covered in this column, please write to: ABCs For Parents, St. Louis News Service, 1216 Fern Ridge Parkway, Suite 100, St. Louis, Mo. 63141.

Mr. Tinker

Dry wall goal apply patience

By Al Schneider

Central Hardware

Installing dry wall properly can turn a plain room into a showplace.

If you are planning such a project, I have a few tips on producing a professional-looking, long-lasting dry wall finish.

Installing a new wall in your home generally means you intend to paper or paint over it. The difficult part of the process is doing the job in such a way that the joints between the dry wall partitions cannot be seen after the paint or wallpaper has been applied.

Practice and patience are the key skills needed in creating beautiful, seam-free walls. I begin by cleaning the installed dry wall boards to create a good adhesion surface for the dry wall compound and tape.

At this point, you will need to purchase dry wall compound, usually sold in 5-gallon containers, and joint tape. As a rule of thumb, I generally use 250 feet of tape for every 500 square feet of dry wall.

You may want to consider self-adhesive, mesh-type tape instead of the traditional product. Although slightly more expensive, it can cut your taping time in half.

To close the initial gap in dry wall joints, I carefully spread a thin layer of dry wall compound in the joint and apply tape over it. I then use a bedding knife to level and evenly distribute the tape, preventing even the slightest wrinkle.

Once the first compound layer and tape are in place, I spread a second layer over the top of the tape, feathering the edges into the wallboard with a damp sponge. When the compound has dried, I apply the third or finishing layer.

When I encounter nail holes, I fill them with one or two coats of compound, drying each coat thoroughly before applying the next one and then sanding the finish coat.

For corner joints or those that meet the ceiling, I follow the same procedure, gently creasing the tape to fit between the two wall areas and finishing the compound process with the same feathering technique.

These tips should help you create a professional-looking finish.



Carol and John Relleke at their farm on Sand Prairie Road.

Holiday trans-farm-ation

Relleke's turn home into Holiday Harvest wonderland

By Andy Siering
Staff writer

NAMEOOKI TOWNSHIP—There are some great pumpkins out at Relleke Farm. Even a Great Pumpkin, with apologies to "Peanuts." There are also assorted animals usually found in the barnyard—cows and horses, chickens and turkeys and geese, cats, ducks and goats.

And a stubborn donkey named Homer. At least he was stubborn about posing for a picture with Carol Relleke, who runs the farm with her husband, John.

Homer, a Syrian donkey, is one of the main attractions at the annual Holiday Harvest event next week, Saturday through Monday, Oct. 7-9, at the Relleke's 370-acre farm on Sand Prairie Lane off Illinois Route 111. The Rellekes have held the event at their farm since 1985.

"Everybody wants to have their picture taken with Homer," Carol Relleke said.

Holiday Harvest is a three-event fund-raiser to benefit area children through local relief agencies. It is sponsored by the Illinois and Missouri Farm Bureaus, National Supermarkets and KMOX Radio. Beneficiaries include the Ronald McDonald House, the Alton Oasis home for battered children and some 75 charities. Since 1978, nearly \$200,000 has been raised.

Two other events are held to raise money. One was at Kiener Plaza in St. Louis earlier in the month. The other is at Union Station this weekend, where KMOX personalities and area farmers will provide entertainment, music, dancing, country food, crafts, a petting zoo and booths.

But the Relleke's is the biggest of the three. Last year, Holiday Harvest raised a total of about \$40,000—\$20,000 of it through National Supermarkets' "Love Labels" program, in which customers send in labels and National donates a small sum for each label.

But Illinois Farm Bureau Manager Ken Ray said the largest of the three fund-raisers was the Relleke event, which raised \$10,000.

Carol Relleke does all the organizing for the event, which has grown enormously since 1984, when they first offered their pumpkin and horseradish farm as a host site.

"We only had three tents the first year," Carol



A photographer catches the attention of a young goat.

Relleke said "Now we've got 15 to 20 organizations with booths," she said.

"Every year, it turns into more work," John Relleke said with a good-natured laugh. "Carol started making calls about a month ago."

Those she calls for help include the Granite City High School Student Council and the school's chapter of the National Honor Society, both of which run booths. Others include the Old Six-Mile Society's historical booth and the Audubon Society.

"I like to point out the positive things kids do," the Student Council is running a "Beat the Goats!" booth, where for 50 cents you can take three shots at kicking a soccer ball past the goalie. A St. Louis Storm goalie will man the goal from 1:30 to 3 p.m. on Sunday only.

The Honor Society will run a Spook House. Another

popular feature is the hay maze; kids love it.

Other features include pony and buggy rides and special appearances by McDonald's Grimace and the Hamburglar, Domino's Pizza's Noid, and Mollie Mae the Pink Cow.

There will be pumpkins, squash, corn and honey for sale, as well as crafts and food and refreshments.

Hours are: Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Monday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The farm is located on Sand Prairie Lane, near Horseshoe Lake, between Illinois Route 111 and U.S. 40 at Fairmont City.

Carol Relleke said the Relleke's first hosted the event to draw attention to their roadside pumpkin stand. But they have continued doing it, despite all the work it entails, because "It's a good place to bring a family. There are so few things for families to do together."

Home inspector needed before buying old home

By Ellen O'Brien

For the Journal

When does an old house lose its charm and become a chore? When age has taken its toll on the structure and maintenance costs outweigh the savings you made on the purchase price.

If you are interested in buying an older home, it is highly advisable to hire an inspector to advise you of the problems inherent in it. He can make a more thorough inspection.

However, there are things you can look for yourself during your walk-throughs of the home to decide if you are interested in pursuing purchasing the home.

As you approach the house, take a look at the roof. A roof should have no more than three layers of shingles. More layers or a worn third layer means the old shingles will have to be removed and a new roof put on. Curled, missing or cracked shingles are evidence of a worn roof.

Let your eyes move from the roof to the gutters. Gutters that are not well secured or which are rusted or have downspouts that are not in place will soon need attention.

Windows and doors can add up to a large investment if they need repairs or replacement. Look for cracked glass, missing storm windows or screens, warping of the upper frame and broken or rotted cord on the window pulls.

If the home you are looking at has porches or decks, take a close look at the construction, particularly at the posts close to the ground. Wood rot in the support structure can mean the entire porch or

deck will have to be rebuilt.

If you can walk around the outside of the house, try to take a look at the foundation. Large cracks indicate settling and may need attention to prevent further damage. Also make sure the soil around the home slopes away from the foundation. This will help prevent water seepage into the basement.

Some older homes have had central air conditioning added. These should be free of plant growth, not have visible damage to the exterior and should run fairly quietly.

The basement of a house can tell you much about the home. The visible wiring in the basement should not be dangling. If the house still has the original knob and tube wiring, hire an electrical engineer or inspector to investigate it further.

Many insurance companies will require the wiring be replaced.

If the insulation around the wiring is dry or brittle, it can be dangerous. Many old houses have fuse panels rather than circuit breakers. A circuit breaker can be added without incurring too much expense; however, many homes built in the early 1900s are equipped with 60 amp wiring, and new appliances, such as washers, dryers, dishwashers and air conditioners, require 100 amps. The cost for the increased wiring and new panel will usually run between \$1,000 and \$1,500.

Lastly, check the home for grounded outlets. There should be three-pronged outlets installed in the kitchen, bathroom, laundry, for window units and for all outdoor outlets.

In all cases, you should have a gas company inspection performed on the house. The company

will inspect the furnace, gas lines and all gas appliances.

Plumbing also can be inspected from the basement. Some old homes have lead or cast iron pipes and steel supply pipes which crack over time. This cracking can cause decreased water pressure. To check the pressure, turn on the hot water faucets at once and see if any of the faucets have a slower water flow.

In the remainder of the house, it is advisable to put all appliances that will remain in the house through their cycles. Check the inside of washers and dishwashers for rust and refrigerators for condensation drainage. Ceramic tile should be slightly grouted and drain stoppers should retract and close tightly. Also check for water stains on the ceilings and walls. Water stains anywhere are an indication of a problem, usually a leaking roof, pipe or gutter.

The attic should be inspected by you or an inspector before you make your final decision. The rafters should be strong, rot-free and show no signs of cracks. There should be good ventilation in the attic and 8 to 10 inches of insulation.

Checking into the items described here for you will help give you a basis for judgment. But only a professional inspector will give you peace of mind when it comes to making the final decision. Contact the American Society of Home Inspectors if you would like information on hiring an inspector.

If you have questions you would like answered in this column, write to: Ellen O'Brien, President, Real Estate Board of Metropolitan St. Louis, 1877 Olive Blvd., St. Louis, Mo. 63141.



KEEPING THE MEALS MOVING, Helen Bergfield, left, chairwoman of the Mobile Meals Program, examines one of the 90 meals served daily being checked by Charlotte Hillis, a food service trainee employee at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

Meals assist homebound

Following is another in a series of articles profiling local agencies served by the Tri-Cities Area United Way.

Mobile Meals Program provides an average of 90 meals per day, five days a week to homebound individuals, the majority of who are elderly and unable to prepare meals for themselves.

Mobile Meals, an agency sponsored by St. Elizabeth Medical Center and administered by the SEMC Auxiliary, works directly with the client's doctor to meet special diet needs. If the client is able to pay for the meal the cost is \$3. But many of the people who receive Mobile Meals are

unable to pay the cost of the meal. Without the service of Mobile Meals, these people would not even have one nutritional meal a day. All money collected from those able to pay is returned to the program for the cost of the food, to prepare the meals and the maintenance of the Mobile Meals van.

Following is the story of a woman who benefitted from the van. Mary was suffering from terminal cancer. Released from the hospital because no other treatment could be provided, Mary was at home. When many people would consider going home a blessing, for Mary it was a curse. Without money or someone to cook for her and care for her she faced a very bleak future. Through the dollars that the public contributed to United Way, Mary was provided with meals from the Mobile Meals Program. Individuals interested in learning more about Mobile Meals may call Helen Bergfield, chairwoman of the Mobile Meals Program, St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City, 798-3843.

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Quinn calls for limiting terms of all state elected officials

Patrick Quinn, spokesman for the Coalition for Political Honesty, is calling for passage of a constitutional amendment which would limit statewide elected officials to serving no more than two consecutive four-year terms in the same elected office. Quinn also called for limiting the tenure of state legislators to no more than 10 consecutive years in the General Assembly.

Quinn said the recent "golden pension parachute" law enacted for Gov. James Thompson and the other five statewide elected officials could allow each of them to become pension millionaires courtesy of the taxpayers of the state of Illinois.

According to actuarial computations, Illinois' six statewide elected officials Thompson, Gov. George Ryan, Secretary of State James Edgar, Attorney General Neil Hartigan, Comptroller Roland Burris, and Treasurer Jerry Costantino as well as legislative leaders such as House Speaker Michael Madigan, House Minority Leader Lee Daniels, Senate President Philip H. Rock, and Senate Minority Leader James Philip could receive more than \$1 million each in public pension annuities during their expected lifetimes.

"Since the earliest days of our country, taxpayers have used tenure limitation on high elected officials to protect against concentrated political power and provide more opportunity for new people and fresh ideas to enter the political system," Quinn said.

"Two hundred years ago, our country's founders and the authors of the early American state constitutions envisioned a class of citizen leaders who would serve in government as a temporary interruption in one's private life.

"Today in Illinois, we have a class of professional politicians who spend more time worrying about their pay and pension credits than in squarely addressing the issues of the day."

"After a while, too many career politicians begin to feather their nests, get too cozy with lobbyists, and use the fund-raising and publicity advantages of incumbency to stay in office for too long."

By the end of 1990, 93 legislators or 53 percent of the membership of the Illinois General Assembly will have been in office more than 10 consecutive years. Five of the six statewide elected officials will have served eight or more years in office.

Quinn said the performance of statewide officials and the members of the General Assembly in the recent legislative session is the best argument for limiting the tenure of state elected officials.

"During the recent legislative session, Illinois politicians raised taxes by more than \$1 billion and made Illinois' unfair and regressive tax structure even worse for working families with children," Quinn said.

"In addition, the General Assembly raised legislators' expense money by \$12,000, hand-picked pay raises to most of its members, and doubled the pension benefits of the Governor and all other statewide elected officials."

"To add insult to injury, the governor and the legislature then turned around and gave an incredible \$241 million in tax breaks to the Sears Company and a whopping 22-year property tax break to the millionaire owners of the profitable Chicago Bulls and Black Hawk, even as property tax bills were skyrocketing on homeowners across the state."

Quinn said the state income tax burden on an Illinois family of four where both parents work

and earn the minimum wage is 25 times higher today than in 1969 when the income tax was first enacted.

In the same period of time, salaries for most Illinois legislators have increased 247 percent. In addition, pension benefits for legislators have risen dramatically because pension amounts are directly tied to legislators' final salaries.

Approximately \$15 million is paid in annual public pensions to former-legislators, judges, statewide elected officials, and their survivors. This amount is expected to increase by more than 50 percent during the next 15 years even if public officials never receive another pay raise.

Quinn said the Illinois political pension system is one of the most generous retirement plans in the country, far superior to most private pensions. A veteran Illinois legislator retiring at age 55 and living until age 78 will receive 2½ times as much pension as his private sector counterpart over the course of their retired years.

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Bush scores big with capital gains tax cut

By Edward T. Hearn
Staff writer

WASHINGTON — President Bush may have scored his biggest triumph on Capitol Hill Thursday, but U.S. Rep. Jerry Costello said the 239-190 vote to cut the capital gains tax was a giveaway to the rich.

"This was a short-term gimmick and a short-sighted fiscal policy, not a real effort to reduce our billion-dollar budget deficit," the Belleville Democrat said after the vote.

All 14 Democratic U.S. representatives from Illinois voted against the tax cut, while all eight Republicans supported the president's position.

House Minority Leader Robert H. Michel, whom many top House Republicans credited with the victory, said the win was "a beautiful thing," noting that the House had reversed not only a tax cut but a philosophical outlook toward government.

"This was a watershed for us to have won on a very key issue here that really marked the division in philosophy," said Michel, who spent time in his native Peoria to join Housing and Urban Development Secretary Jack Kemp on swing through Illinois.

Forming a coalition of House Republicans and conservative Democrats, Bush won approval to cut capital gains from 33 percent to 19.6 percent until 1992, when it would be restored to 28 percent along with the inception of asset indexation.

Republicans say the lower rate will produce a multibillion-dollar windfall for the Treasury and spark a capital venture explosion, while the Democrats say only top earners will benefit and the federal budget deficit will worsen in the long run.

In winning the tax initiative, which requires final approval in a larger House bill and a majority in the Senate, Bush got the help of 61 Democrats.

Washington — David O'Neal, a former Illinois lieutenant governor and St. Clair County sheriff, received a sterling job recommendation Thursday from Senator Alan Dixon, the same man who spent \$2 million to defeat him in the 1990 U.S. Senate race.

Dixon's remarks at a Senate confirmation hearing before the Energy and Natural Resources Committee may have wrapped up the job for O'Neal, who was recently nominated by President Bush for a Department of the Interior hot seat—Assistant Secretary of Lands and Mineral Management.

"David O'Neal has been a friend to me all my adult life," said Dixon, an Illinois Democrat who, like O'Neal, grew up in Belleville. "He is an honest, capable and talented individual, whose personal integrity is beyond question."

During the Reagan Administration the post was plagued with controversy surrounding sales of large chunks of public lands to private developers at below-market prices.

His current head, James Cason, a real-estate developer hired during the tenure of Secretary James Watt, is being investigated by a Senate committee for disregarding departmental warnings regarding threats to the survival of a rare spotted owl.

"O'Neal will have a huge challenge on his hands to handle this properly," said Dave Albersworth, with the National Wildlife Federation, a Washington environmental group. "You can bet he will be on the hot seat."

The new post could be O'Neal's latest stop in an already-distinguished career with the federal government. In April 1986, he became a deputy director of the Bureau of Land Management. He currently serves in the labor department as Assistant Secretary for Mine Safety and Health.

His career in public service began in St. Clair County, where he was elected Sheriff in 1970. He was the first Republican elected to county office there in 30 years.

In 1975, O'Neal was elected Lt. Gov. of Illinois, on a ticket with Governor James Thompson. In that capacity he chaired a state energy task force and headed an office that handled abandoned mine reclamation.

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Six Mile to meet

The monthly meeting of the Old Dixie Historical Society will be held Monday, Oct. 2, at Central Christian Church, 2020 Johnson Road.

After the business meeting, which begins at 7 p.m., Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Brodsky will give a talk about the history of their Factory Outlet Shoe Store, which has been at its present location at 1304 19th St. since the 1960s.

Light refreshments will be served afterward. Hostesses for the meeting are Delores Stakecker, Shirley Adams, Frances Hovvers, Judy Stille and Clara Winter.

The public is invited.

McDonald's, KMOV team up on fire safety

McDonald's Restaurants of St. Louis and Metro East and KMOV-TV Channel 3, will launch a fire safety program in conjunction with National Fire Prevention Week/Month in October, to encourage St. Louis area residents to "Plan To Get Out Alive."

To kick-off the area-wide program, KMOV-TV, Channel 3, will present a half-hour "Plan To Get Out Alive" special on Saturday, Oct. 7 at 12:30 p.m. The special, co-sponsored by McDonald's and

First Alert, exposes viewers to the fear and confusion of waking to a home fire, the panic of trying to maneuver through a house pitch black with smoke and the life-and-death decisions that must be made to survive.

"Plan To Get Out Alive" is designed to extend the proven effectiveness of school fire drills into the home. Participating local McDonald's restaurants will distribute informational pamphlets on the program from Oct. 8-27.

The programs are funded by the 10-cent tobacco tax increase approved by the General Assembly earlier this year.

The governor also took action on the following bill: Senate Bill 619 requires the Illinois Department of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse (DASA) to establish a model care and treatment program in Cook County for pregnant addicts and addicted mothers and their children.

The bill becomes effective Jan. 1, 1990. It was sponsored in the Senate by Sen. Dan Claitor and in the House by Anthony Young, Jesse C. White Jr. and William H. Shanley. All of Chicago and Grace Mary Stern of

Highland Park and Mary E. Flowers, also of Chicago.

Senate Bill 622 expands the health education curricula in all Illinois elementary and secondary schools to include the medical and legal ramifications of alcohol, drug and tobacco use and abuse during pregnancy, along with such currently covered areas as nutritional, safety and family life education in grades 6-12.

The bill also requires the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) to conduct an on-going program of such education for pregnant women.

It becomes effective Jan. 1, 1990.

Senate Bill 1413, signed with changes, requires doctors who provide prenatal services to refer pregnant women determined to be substance abusers to DASA or a treatment facility. The bill provides that the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) and DASA assure coverage for the cost of the treatment.

The governor's changes specify that IDPH assure coverage for only those women eligible for Medicaid, while DASA provides the services to other women. It is effective immediately.

House Bill 1091 requires IDPH to establish a program to provide prenatal care to high-risk pregnant women, provided money is appropriated for the program. Covered services may include prenatal visits to a physician's office; delivery services by a doctor or nurse; one post-natal office visit; social and support services; nutrition services; case management services; and two preventive health screenings for the newborn.

The bill is effective Jan. 1, 1990.

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Homecoming at Madison High

The schedule for Homecoming festivities at Madison Senior High School has been announced by Principal Robert McNeel.

The official Homecoming week is Oct. 2-6. Each day will be designated for students to come to school dressed in a particular type of clothing.

MONDAY: Sweats Day. Students wear sweat clothes to school.

TUESDAY: Grandma and Grandpa Day. Students dress in old-fashioned clothing.

WEDNESDAY: Inside Out Day. Students wear their clothing inside-out.

THURSDAY: Dress Up Day. Students wear dress clothes.

FRIDAY: Green and White Day. Students wear the school colors.

Students will vote for the final Homecoming court on Wednesday, Oct. 4, during fourth period classes. The gym decorations will also begin that day in preparation for the dance.

Thursday, students will have a shortened class schedule, with the Homecoming royally coronation in the gym at 1 p.m. and a dance from 2:30 to 4 p.m.

Friday will also be a shortened class day. Car and float decorating will begin at 10:15 a.m. A Spirit Stick Assembly will be held at 1:15 p.m., and the parade begins at 1:30.

A bonfire at 6:30 p.m. will precede the 7:30 p.m. kickoff for the Homecoming football game against Red Bud.

A fall potluck dinner is also being planned, as well as a Christmas party.

For additional information about the newly-formed Graduate Student Association, interested persons may contact Pamela Voss at (618) 692-2643.

Graduate student group for SIUE

A student organization has been created at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville for graduate students.

The Graduate Student Association (GSA) was formed to build a sense of community among all SIUE graduate students and to provide educational, professional and social programming of special interest to those pursuing a master's or doctoral degree.

The organization is affiliated with the National Association of Graduate-Professional Students, which serves 300,000 students across the nation.

Events planned for the coming year at SIUE include seminars such as "Writing a Thesis Proposal" and "Getting Articles Published."

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Venice Schools PTA group to meet Monday

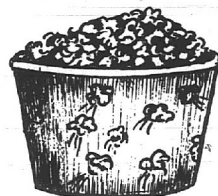
The Venice Schools PTA will meet Monday in the school library at 7 p.m.

Plans will be made for the "All-Star Volleyball Game," one of the group's biggest annual fundraisers. Trick or treat prizes will be given to students whose parents come and bring the filler distributed by the PTA to be collected by the student.

Dues for the Venice Schools PTA are \$2 per year. All parents and teachers in Venice are eligible to join.

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School news welcomed

Send information and photos about school events at the elementary, middle and high school levels to Meg Tebo, Granite City Press-Record/Journal, 1815 Delmar Ave., Granite City, IL, 62040.

School menus

Granite City Public Schools

Monday - Manager's Choice.

Tuesday - Pizza, french fries, chilled apple sauce.

Wednesday - Cup of chili, hamburger, buttered vegetable, fruit cup.

Thursday - Taco with cheese, lettuce and tomato, buttered vegetable, fruit cup.

Friday - Icelandic cod fish sandwich, macaroni and cheese, buttered vegetable, fruit cup.

Madison Public Schools

Monday - Sausage and shells, cheese slice, tossed salad, pineapple.

Tuesday - Pizza burger, french fries, fruit.

Wednesday - Ham and beans, corn bread, slaw, hot cinnamon apples.

Thursday - Fried chicken, whipped potatoes, gravy, green beans, gelatin.

Friday - Hot dog on bun, french fries, pears.

Venice Public Schools

Monday - Manager's choice.

Tuesday - Chili, saltine crack-

ers, peanut butter sandwich, apple crisp.

Wednesday - Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans.

Thursday - Ham and beans, cornbread, beets, sliced pears.

Friday - Fish, spaghetti, pickles and onions.

Holy Family

Monday - Hot dog on bun, french fries, baked beans, stuffed celery, chocolate pudding.

Tuesday - Chili or chili mac, crackers, cheese chunks, peanut butter bread, carrot sticks, strawberry jello.

Wednesday - Barbecue ham on bun, buttered noodles, peas, pickles, chocolate chip cookies.

Thursday - Tacos with meat, cheese, lettuce, corn, buttered corn, cupcake.

Friday - Nachos with cheese sauce, green beans, slaw, peanut butter bread, lime jello.

St. Elizabeth

Monday - Nachos and cheese, peanut butter sandwich, fish sticks, buttered vegetable, muffins and fruit.

Tuesday - Hamburger or cheeseburger, buttered vegetables, french fries, cupcakes and fruit.

Wednesday - Spaghetti with meat sauce, garlic bread, buttered vegetable, jello with fruit.

Thursday - Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, butter bread, buttered vegetable, peanut butter candy.

Friday - Cheese pups on bun, tater tots, buttered vegetable, pudding and fruit.

Head Start

Monday - Beef stew with beef and vegetables, biscuit, pears.

Tuesday - Sliced turkey roll, mashed potatoes, gravy, peas, cranberry sauce.

Wednesday - Chopped steak parmesan with cheese, corn, peach slices.

Thursday - Barbecue beef, bun, green beans, applesauce.

Local student 'outstanding'

Wayne M. Gottschall has been selected as a member of the Outstanding College Students of America.

He is the grandson of Alice Reiter of Granite City.

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High school senior nets prestigious internship

Lavona Jean Leonosio, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Leonosio is participating in the Illinois Governmental Internship Program this semester.

She is an intern to Jan Schaefer of the Illinois Addiction Counselor Certification Board in Springfield.

The Illinois Governmental Internship Program is for high school seniors with outstanding ability and leadership. The program is co-sponsored by the State Board of Education and Springfield Public Schools. This program is a part of the Executive Internships of America, which is in operation in approximately 30 school districts and 21 states.

The students who apply for the program go through several levels of screening. They interview with their local superintendent, the educational service region superintendent and finally, with a state-wide selection committee. This committee is composed of educators as well as representatives of state government.

The students who are selected as interns take a full semester's substitution from regular studies. The Governmental Internship Program enables high school seniors to explore career opportunities with an executive in government agencies and related organizations. Interns attend policy meetings, prepare memoranda and reports, and occasionally travel



Lavona Jean Leonosio
... Illinois program

with their sponsor.

Interns work regular business hours with their sponsor Monday through Thursday. On Fridays, all of the interns meet for seniors on executive behavior and organizational analysis, in which they discuss materials they have read. They sometimes meet with officials and make site visits to programs in operation. Hence, the program is a marriage of the theoretical and the practical, combining the best elements of classroom analysis with actual experience in the world of executives and organizations.

Dintelmann resigns from college board, second member in a week to leave BAC

By Rick Arnold
Staff writer

BELLEVILLE — For the second time in less than a week, a Belleville Area College board member has submitted his resignation.

Robert Dintelmann, 54, submitted his letter of resignation to Board Chairman Larry Reinneck on Sept. 22. Dintelmann, who had served on the board since 1976, said Saturday that he was resigning for personal reasons.

"I just wanted to devote more time to my family and my business," he said. Dintelmann is co-owner of Dintelmann Nursery in Belleville. Dintelmann had missed the last three board meetings but he said his absences were due to schedule conflicts and weren't related to his resignation.

On Sept. 20, Dan Wolford submitted his resignation at the BAC board meeting to run for the District 201 Belleville Township High School Board of Education.

Wolford's seat was filled at the same meeting with the appointment of former student board member Donald Theobald.

But Reinneck said Saturday that it will not be as easy to fill Dintelmann's seat.

"I'm not looking forward to going through this process," Reinneck said. Prior to filling Wolford's seat, the board last had to fill a vacancy in Decem-

ber 1987 when the late Curt Eckert resigned.

At that time, the board took almost a month to find Eckert's replacement, who turned out to be Van Smith, who still serves on the board.

Under Illinois law, the board has 30 days to fill Dintelmann's seat. Reinneck said the haste with which the board moves will depend on when the 30-day period begins, or began.

"It depends on when the clock starts ticking," he said. "I don't know if it starts when the board accepts his resignation or when he submits his resignation."

Reinneck said he may have to call a special meeting so the board can act on Dintelmann's resignation. The board is

already scheduled to have a special meeting on Oct. 4 to discuss personnel matters and Reinneck said the board may act on the matter at that time.

Reinneck said he has some candidates in mind to succeed Dintelmann, whose resignation caught Reinneck completely off-guard.

"To be honest, I'm just totally shocked," Reinneck said. "I had talked about the board meeting with him on Thursday and he gave me no indication of what he was going to do."

Reinneck said he would like to see Dintelmann's successor come from outside the Belleville area, since all of the trustees, except for Theobald, live in or near Belleville.

"I feel very strongly about that, especially in the spirit of the referendum," he said. "That's one reason why Don Theobald was a good choice."

The referendum that Reinneck referred to is the redistricting referendum that passed in the November 1988 election. Voters OK'd the redistricting of the BAC district, which means that all seven board seats will be up for grabs in the 1991 election.

During his tenure on the board, Dintelmann was a part of many tumultuous events at the college, including a 1980 teachers strike and the board's firing of then-chancellor Bruce Wisorek in December 1987.

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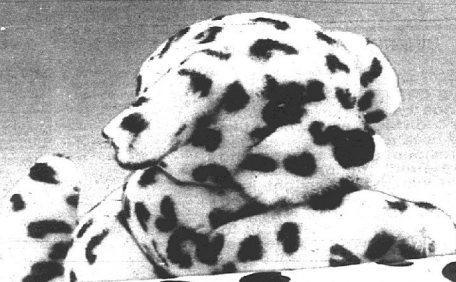
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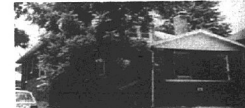


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Durbin doesn't want future archaeologists wondering at diapers

By Jason Moody
Staff writer

WASHINGTON — The spectre of archaeologists finding 16 billion baby diapers in U.S. landfills 400 years from now disturbs Rep. Richard Durbin.

According to the Springfield Democrat, this is how many plastic disposable diapers make their way into dump sites across the country each year. Diapers take anywhere from 200 to 400 years to biodegrade.

At a recent press conference, Durbin touted his legislation spurring the development of degradable plastics, a plan he said would not only reduce pressure on swelling landfills and protect the environment but also provide a boon to the agriculture economy as well.

"It would create a 150 (million) to 300 million bushel market for the corn economy," Durbin said, referring to the fact that cornstarch is a primary ingredient in the new plastic. "This increased demand will help our rural areas get back on their feet again."

Biodegradable plastics are made-up with a certain percentage of corn starch. The corn starch is eroded by bacteria once it's in the landfill, unlike traditional plastic which takes hundreds of years to erode.

Flanked by Sen. Christopher "Kit" Bond, R-Mo., and Sen.

John Glenn, D-Ohio, and representatives from the newly formed Degradable Plastics Council of St. Louis, Durbin pushed a bill he sponsored in the House that would encourage federal agencies to buy degradable plastic products.

Americans create more than 130 million tons of garbage a year—about five pounds per person—far more than the country's nearest competitors in Europe and Japan, according to statistics cited by Durbin. Plastic makes up more than 30 percent of all waste, an increase from 1970, Durbin said.

"According to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, at current dumping rates, the state will run out of landfill capacity in 1994 or 1995," said Scott Scheaver, executive director of the National Corn Growers Association, which is supporting Durbin's legislation.

The three lawmakers at the press conference said they would also like to see the Department of Agriculture provide more money for research and development of farm non-food uses.

"The fiscal year 1988 budget for non-food use of agricultural commodities is only \$1.7 million out of a \$560 million budget," Glenn said. "It's been like pulling teeth to get the Agriculture Department to put more money into the research."

Simon aid package to Poland gains despite GOP opposition

By Edward T. Hearn
Staff writer

WASHINGTON — The Senate Foreign Relations Committee has approved over Republican objections a \$1.1 billion aid package to Poland and Hungary that was largely written by U.S. Sen. Paul Simon, D-Ill.

In a 10-1 vote, the panel agreed to establish a \$900 million loan program for Poland and a \$255 million plan for Hungary over the next three years — actions taken as both nations chart new paths outside the orbit of the Soviet Union.

The aid plans go way beyond what President Bush offered earlier this month in a July package which included \$119 million in U.S. aid to Poland along with U.S. help in cutting Poland's massive foreign debt.

"The first year, for example, (Bush) was going to offer \$10 million, it's now \$119 million," Simon said. "There are 46 nations that get more than \$10 million," Simon said after the vote that the panel's nine Republicans effectively boycotted.

The only opposing vote was cast by U.S. Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., who complained that the committee was acting in a hasty manner and without benefit of careful hearings.

A Lugar aide said the senator also felt Poland needed time to make the transition from a Communist-dominated government to a parliamentary system with

a free-market approach.

"Poland is not equipped at this moment to make use of a lot of Western aid," Lugar press secretary David Shapiro said, reflecting the prevailing view from the White House.

The Senate panel's vote came two days after Senate Majority Leader George J. Mitchell, D-Maine, accused the Bush Administration of "timidity" regarding aid plans for Eastern Europe.

"There is a feeling that Poland and engagement, the administration has adopted an almost passive stance," Mitchell said in a widely noted speech on the Senate floor.

Funding for the Simon bill — dubbed SEED for Support for Eastern European Democracy — would come from the Pentagon's Senate proposed \$3.6 billion research and development budget, which includes Strategic Defense Initiative or "Star Wars" funding.

"There is a feeling that we are moving away from the traditional SDI and Star Wars thing. Even Vice President Quayle said the umbrella thing is becoming less realistic."

Simon said in justification of the proposed aid that the administration's opposition to the bill was a funding mechanism that took money from the defense budget.

Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., chairman of the Armed Services Committee, has yet to endorse the Simon aid plan.

The Bush administration recently agreed to double food aid to Poland, but Simon has said the \$50 million Bush promised wasn't close to being enough.

He also has complained that the original Bush plan calling for \$119 million in Polish aid was too small to help the first non-Communist government in Poland overcome grave economic troubles.

Simon, who spent a week visiting Poland with his wife Jeanne in late August and early September, unveiled his own plan earlier in the month to aid the new Solidarity-led government.

He proposed a \$900 million loan program in which the U.S. would provide \$300 million a year for the next three years to an investment fund controlled by the U.S. and Polish officials.

Simon suggested the U.S. delay for three years all interest payments from Poland on its \$2.8 billion in U.S. debt, and defer one-half of the interest payments in the following two years.

He also proposed \$25 million in U.S. spending to upgrade Poland's telephone and telecommunications system, provided the agreement requires the Polish government to contract the work to a U.S. company.

Under the loan program, U.S. and Polish firms, or a combination of the two, would be eligible to apply.

O'Neal named to Interior

By Jason Moody
Staff writer

WASHINGTON — A former Belleville businessman, St. Clair County sheriff and lieutenant governor of Illinois, David O'Neal, now appears well on his way to establishing himself as a high-powered bureaucrat in the nation's capital.

This month, President George Bush nominated O'Neal as the assistant secretary of lands and mineral management for the Department of the Interior, one of the agency's most important posts, with responsibility for nearly all mineral development of federal lands as well as grazing, logging and other activities.

If confirmed by the Senate, the new post will be O'Neal's latest stop in an already distinguished career with the federal government. It began in April 1986 as deputy director of the Bureau of Land Management with the Reagan Administration.

Currently, O'Neal serves as assistant secretary for mine safety and health at the Department of Labor, but his career in public service began in St. Clair County, where he was elected Sheriff in 1970. He was the first Republican elected to county office there in 30 years.

In 1976, O'Neal became Lt. Gov. O'Neal of Illinois, on a ticket with New Gov. James Thompson. In that capacity, he chaired a state energy task force and headed an office that handled abandoned mine reclamation.

"His experience in federal and state government as well as his extensive business background will make him a great asset to the department," Interior Secretary Manuel Lujan said Sept. 3 when he announced the nomination.

Although environmental watchdog groups that normally monitor executive branch appointments to the Department of the Interior were not as complimentary, few doubted he would be easily confirmed.

"He maintained a rather low profile at the Labor Department," said Terry Sopher, who monitors U.S. coal policy for the Wilderness Society, a Washington environmental group.

"He didn't do anything bad as far as I know, but he wasn't associated with any bold policy initiatives, either."

Dave Albersworth, director of the public lands and energy program for the National Wildlife Federation, another environmental activist organization, said he had heard very little of O'Neal but the nominee would be closely monitored in his new post.

"During the Reagan years this (interior position) was one of the most scandal-ridden positions in the Interior," Albersworth said, referring to controversies surrounding the selling off of large chunks of public lands to private developers at below market prices.

Dixon sides with business opposing tax law

By Edward T. Hearn
Staff writer

WASHINGTON — U.S. Sen. Alan Dixon has joined the growing chorus of voices urging the repeal of the controversial tax law Section 89 that small business groups particularly find onerous.

In a new letter to Senate Finance Committee Chairman Lloyd Bentsen, D-Tex., Dixon said that Section 89 "has tied the small business community in knots" and its repeal was the most desirable action.

The Illinois Democrat said the law was well intended, but there was little evidence of discrimination in employee health plans between upper income and lower income workers "with the possible exception of some professional services" employees.

The Bentsen letter was co-signed by nine other senators on the Small Business Committee, including Sen. Robert W. Kasten, R-Wisc., who has been a prime mover in the effort to eliminate Section 89.

"I believe we have 60 to 70 votes for straight repeal in the U.S. Senate," Kasten said in Capitol Hill press conference Thursday.

Written into the 1986 Tax Reform Act, Section 89 was intended to bar discrimination in the allotment of employee benefits packages, but the law has gone into effect because of loud objections about the projected costs to comply with the law.

Kasten's comments came as the Senate Rules Committee was deciding whether to bring an

unadorned repeal bill to the full House next week or forward the version that has been advertised as a repeal by House Ways and Means Committee chairman Dan Rostenkowski, D-Chicago.

Later Thursday, House Minority Leader Robert H. Michel said in an interview that he urged House Speaker Tom Foley on Wednesday to do "the honorable repeal vote to occur, but the two leaders failed to cement an agreement."

"On Section 89, the Ways and Means committee went out of town with the American people," said Kasten, who was joined by Sen. Rudy Boschwitz, R-Minn., and Sen. Conrad Burns, R-Montana, in denouncing the version adopted by the Rostenkowski panel.

Kasten said outright repeal was the only course of action because every effort at simplification has failed.

He said that even under streamlined Section 89 bills, U.S. Treasury would raise \$170 million in revenue while business would absorb some \$4 billion in compliance costs.

If the House fails to repeal the bill, Kasten said he would attach a repeal amendment to the House-pending Reconciliation Bill—a \$5.3 billion measure that also contains the recently adopted rate cuts in the capital gains tax when it arrives in the Senate.

Last week, the Ways and Means Committee announced the repeal of Section 89 after a long struggle, but the panel also endorsed a new set of regula-

tions that critics like Kasten are starting to call "Son of Section 89."

Boschwitz said Ways and Means produced a lengthy report explaining its repeal action, but noted that "if the 17-page report is any indication, it's the most complicated repeal I've seen in some time."

When Rostenkowski announced the repeal action last week, he was greeted with applause by many business and labor groups that had been pressing for that result.

But that unity began to crumble when Kasten, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, the National Association of Manufacturers, and the National Federation of Independent Business took a second look at the repeal language and didn't like what they saw.

Frank scandal called 'stain' on Congress, Michel says

By Edward T. Hearn
Staff writer

WASHINGTON — House Republican Leader Robert H. Michel said recently that the male prostitution scandal engulfing U.S. Rep. Barney Frank, a Massachusetts Democrat, was a "stain" on the U.S. Congress.

Asked about the ongoing ethics committee probe of Frank, an avowed homosexual who admitted hiring a male prostitute who later became his personal aide, Michel indicated Frank's high popularity was insulating him from stronger criticism.

"If I were to have a woman prostitute in my employ for my own self-gratification, I would be run out of town, period," Michel said, in a candid appraisal of the Frank affair that was first reported by the Washington Times in August.

Typically, Michel responds to an ethics controversy by saying he regrets that such action was under way because of its negative impact on the reputation of the House of Representatives.

But in the Frank case, which

also involves allegations that the male prostitute used Frank's Washington town house to run a sex-for-hire operation, Michel took the unusual step of calling it a "stain" on the institution.

Frank, meanwhile, has declined to resign until the conclusion of the ethics inquiry, which he personally requested. While still popular in his suburban Boston district, Frank lost health and pension reform in a recent editorial that urged him to quit the House.

Michel's comments came at the end of a Capitol Hill press conference aimed at winning support for GOP legislative proposals to avert painful automatic spending cuts that could occur as early as next month.

Joined by Minority Whip Newt Gingrich of Georgia, Rep. Bill Frenzel of Minnesota and Rep. William Archer of Texas, Michel called on House Speaker Tom Foley to expedite passage of the Reconciliation Bill containing key spending and revenue recommendations.

If passage were delayed for

too long, Frenzel, the ranking Republican on the Budget Committee, said \$16 billion in automatic spending cuts would be required under provisions of the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings deficit reduction law.

Michel met with Foley Sept. 20 trying to iron out differences. In particular, Michel said the Republicans are seeking to remove child care, catastrophic health and pension reform from the reconciliation measure, which also contains the key capital gains reduction.

"We are concerned about where we are going here as we get into the nitty-gritty of this Congress," Michel said. "Reconciliation is becoming a grab bag and a catchall."

Frenzel said the automatic cuts, known as a sequestration action, would result in a \$16 billion reduction divided equally between national defense and domestic discretionary spending programs.

"It's clearly something the American public is not prepared for," Frenzel said.

center in Granite City, Lock and Dam 26 on the Mississippi River near Alton, the McKendree College gymnasium and the Melvin Price Memorial Park in Swansea.

In the nation's capital, Price's portrait hangs on the wall of the House Armed Services Committee, which he chaired for 10 years, and Congress has passed a law mandating that the next missile-firing Trident submarine bear his name.

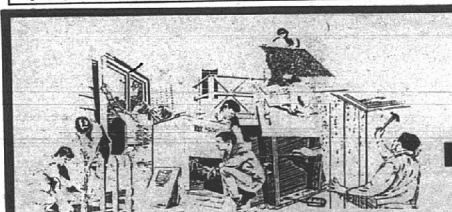
Born in East St. Louis in 1905, Price worked as a journalist, served in the U.S. Army for four years, and in the House of Representatives for 44 years. He died of cancer on April 22, 1988 while still in office.

ESL SSI gets new number

The East St. Louis and Belleville Social Security offices have a new phone number, 1-800-224-5772.

This new number offers toll-free service from anywhere in the country, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Between 7 a.m. and

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Costello again pushing to have courthouse named after Price

By Jason Moody
Staff writer

WASHINGTON — U.S. Rep. Jerry Costello is pushing legislation to create yet another memorial for his predecessor, the late Charles Melvin Price.

At a hearing Tuesday the Belleville Democrat asked his colleagues on the House Public Works Committee to support a bill christening the federal courthouse in East St. Louis the Melvin Price Federal Courthouse.

"After 85 years without designation, I think it is appropriate that it (the courthouse) be dedicated to the memory of Congressman Price," Costello told the lawmakers. "The courthouse, located at 750 Missouri Ave., has remained unnamed since it was built in 1904."

If Costello's bill becomes law, the courthouse won't be the first tribute to Price in the 21st congressional district.

Other namesakes include the Charles Melvin Price support

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